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GERMANY, MEXICO AND JAPAN TO UNITE TO FIGHT U. S.

Kaiser's Plot for an Alliance to Make War on America is Revealed

WAR WAS TO BE DECLARED ON THE UNITED STATES WHEN RELATIONS WITH GERMANY WERE BROKEN OFF

Mexico Was to Act as Mediator in Urging Japan to Abandon Her Allies and Was to Receive Financial Support From Germany to Re-Conquer Texas, New Mexico and Arizona.—Zimmermann Forwarded Instruction Through Bernstorff; German Minister to Complete Plans.

COPY OF INSTRUCTIONS IN HANDS OF U. S. GOVERNMENT

Plot Considered Sufficient in Itself to Warrant Rupture in Relations, if Not in Fact, to be Considered an Act of War—New Light Shed Upon Frequently Reported Activities of Mexican Government to Couple Its Situation With Friction Between This Country and Japan.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The Associated Press is enabled to reveal that Germany, in planning unrestricted submarine warfare and counting its consequences, proposed an alliance with Mexico and Japan to make war on the United States if this country should not remain neutral.

Japan, through Mexican mediation, was to be urged to abandon her allies and join in the attack on the United States.

Mexico, for her reward, was to receive general financial support from Germany, reconquer Texas, New Mexico and Arizona—lost provinces—and share in the victorious peace terms Germany contemplates.

Details were left to German Minister von Eckhardt in Mexico City, who by instructions signed by German Foreign Minister Zimmermann, at Berlin, January 19, 1917, was directed to propose the alliance with Mexico to General Carranza and suggest that Mexico seek to bring Japan into the plot.

Instructions Sent Through Bernstorff.

These instructions were transmitted to von Eckhardt through Count von Bernstorff, former German ambassador here, now on his way home to Germany under a safe conduct obtained from his enemies by the country against which he was plotting war.

Germany pictured to Mexico, by broad intimation, England and the Entente Allies defeated; Germany and her allies triumphant and in world domination by the instrument of unrestricted submarine warfare.

Copy in Possession of U. S. Government.

A copy of Zimmermann's instructions to von Eckhardt, sent through von Bernstorff, is in possession of the United States government. It is as follows:

"Berlin, January 19, 1917.

"On the first of February we intend to begin submarine warfare unrestricted. In spite of this, it is our intention to endeavor to keep neutral the United States of America.

"If this attempt is not successful, we propose an alliance on the following basis with Mexico 'that we shall make war together and together make peace. We shall give general financial support and it is understood that Mexico is to reconquer the lost territory in New Mexico, Texas and Arizona. The details are left to you for settlement.

"You are instructed to inform the president of Mexico of the above in the greatest confidence as soon as it is certain that there will be an outbreak of war with the United States and suggest that the president of Mexico, on his own initiative, should communicate with Japan suggesting adherence at once to this plan; at the same time, offer to mediate between Germany and Japan.

"Please call the attention of the president of Mexico that the employment of ruthless submarine warfare now promises to compel England to make peace in a few months.

Signed, "ZIMMERMANN."

In Hands of Government Since Rupture.

This document has been in the hands of the government since President Wilson broke off diplomatic relations with Germany; it has been kept secret up to this time, while the President has been asking Congress for full authority to deal with Germany, and while Congress has been hesitating. It was in the President's hands while Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg was declaring that the United States had placed an interpretation on the submarine declaration "never intended by Germany," and that Germany had promoted and honored friendly relations with the United States "as an heirloom from Frederick the Great."

Of itself, if there were no other, it is considered a sufficient an-

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THREE VILLAGES TAKEN BY BRITISH

Gommecourt and Puisieux Au Mont Captured in Advance on Both Sides of Ancre

THILLOY IS ALSO OCCUPIED

This Point is Only About a Mile From Bapaume—Teutons in Northwestern Rumania Take Over 1,300 Prisoners.

On both sides of the Ancre river in France the British forces continue to make progress. North of the stream the important village of Gommecourt and the village of Puisieux Au Mont and trench systems near them have been captured, while south of the river the forces which previously had taken Ligny passed eastward and occupied Thilloy, about a mile southwest of Bapaume, and a trench at Sailly-Saillisel.

The capture of Gommecourt was followed by the driving of the British line a thousand yards northeast of that place. Whether the Germans offered resistance on any of these sectors is not stated by the British official communication.

On the remainder of the front in France and Belgium minor attacks and artillery duels continue. Near Clery, Arras and Lens successful raids were carried out by the British and a German raid northeast of Armentieres were repulsed.

Comparative quiet privails in Russia and Galicia. Along the northwestern frontier of Rumania, in the Jacobeni-Kimpolung sector, the Teutons have captured several hill positions from the Russians and taken more than 1,300 men prisoner. Petrogard in admitting the loss of the positions says that a counter-attack gave the Rusians possession of one of the positions.

In the Teigris regian the British, in quest of Bagdad, are following up the Turk recently driven out of Kut-El-Amara. The latest British official communication says King George's men on Monday were engaging the Ottoman troops from three sides thirty miles northwest of Kut and that the Turks in their flight had abandoned quantities of arms, ammunition and other war stores and thrown guns, including four howitzers, into the Tigris.

TREASURY DEFICIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR IS $162,962,315

Washington, Feb. 28.—Condition of the United States Treasury at close today showed:

Net balance in general fund $66,505,399.

Total receipts $1,301,115.

Total payments $2,863,675.

The deficit this fiscal year is $162,962,315, against a deficit of $52,856,882, last year exclusive of Panama Canal and public debt transactions.

New York, Feb. 28.—In New York state's fight to prove that Mrs. Hettie Green, one of the world's richest women, was a resident of this state so that it can collect a $6,000,000 transfer tax on her $110,000,000 estate, it was brought out in the surrogate's court here today that four states claim her citizenship—Vermont, New Jersey and Massachusetts are the others.

Twenty-One Vessels Lost Within a Week

London, Feb. 28.—Following is the British official weekly statement of arrivals and sailings, war losses and unsuccessful attacks on British shipping for the week ending Sunday, February 25:

"Arrivals and sailings, merchant vessels of all nationalities (over 100 tons net, at and from United Kingdom ports, exclusive of fishing and local craft)—arrivals 2,280; sailings 2,261.

"British merchant vessels sunk by mine or submarine, of 1,600 tons gross or over, 15; under 1,600 tons gross, six.

"British merchant vessels unsuccessfully attacked by submarines, 12; British fishing vessels sunk, four."

BICKETT CROP LIEN BILL PASSES HOUSE BY A BIG MAJORITY

Senate Passes Justice Bill for Qualified Verdicts by Juries in Capital Cases

ALSO PRISON REFORM BILL

House Adopts New Rule to Limit Speeches to Five and Two Minutes on Any Subject

(By W. J. MARTIN).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—The House tonight indulged in a long and vigorous discussion of the crop lien bill as agreed upon by Governor Bickett and the Farmers Union and reported favorably by the legislative committee and in the end passed the measure by a big majority. The vote on second reading was roll call and stood 78 to 34.

Thereafter Representative Stubbs sought to get in amendments that would reduce the record work of merchants in keeping sales on lein agreements, specifically relief from keeping time of sales, cash and time price and the life. The amendments lost out and the bill passed as it came from the committee. Representative McRackan, of Columbus, Pritchard, of Madison, Beasley and others led the advocacy, and Stubbs, Clark, of Pitt, and King, of Nash, with others, opposed. King offered a substitute that fell by the wayside.

The rules committee recommended and the House adopted a new rule to limit speeches to five and two minutes on any subject for the remainder of the session.

The Senate tonight passed the Justice bill for qualified verdicts in capital cases. The vote was 25 to 19.

A bill passed for the regulation and sale of cotton seed meal.

The Tucker prohibition bill came up. Oates asked that it go over, but a motion to table was made and then lost by a roll call vote of 21 to 22. Then the bill passed second reading, 23 to 21, and went over on objection to final reading.

Senator Scales introduced a bill to provide for initiative and referendum; Brenizer and Jones a joint resolution to appoint a workmen's compensation commission to report to the next Legislature. It was adopted with an amendment that no pay or expenses be allowed.

The Person bill for publication of a North Carolina official blue book with State officers and employes and their pay passed and went to the House, after a motion to table was lost.

TURNER PRISON REFORM BILL IS PASSED BY THE SENATE.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Senate passed today the Turner bill to regulate the management of State prisoners. It provides that all prisoners sentenced to two or more years must go to the State's prison; hiring out of prisoners is forbidden; they must not be worked more than ten hours per day and prisoners shall be classified in three classes, those proven to be orderly, those untried and incorrigibles, first class to receive an allowance of 20 cents per day, second class 10 cents and incorrigibles nothing.

Corporal punishment is forbidden and separate cells for prisoners under sanitary supervision by the State Board of Health required. System of fines and demerits are provided. No one addicted to drink must be employed in the prison. Judges are called upon to pass minimum and maximum sentences and each prisoner must be examined when received as to mental condition and capacity for work.

Long and Strenuous Debate

The argument was long and strenuous and in the end the bill passed second reading by a good majority, but went over for final reading on objection of Senator Burgwin, who wanted the report of the legislative committee investigating the condition and management of the State Farm convicts.

Senator Turner spoke at length advocating the bill and answered a great number of questions. He expected to see chain gangs abolished before many years. He insisted that there is a great demand throughout the State for the abolition of the present system. He hinted that when the report of the investigating committee is made public the State would demand action. Democracy, of which he was proud, owed it to the State to remove the blot on the civilization of North Carolina.

An amendment by Senator Jones would strike out the section of the bill requiring all convicts of two years or longer sentence to go to the State prison. He said it would keep convicts in their counties to the betterment of their

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ACTION BY CONGRESS ON REQUEST OF PRESIDENT FOR MORE POWER IS PREDICTED IN NEXT 24 HOURS

CAR SITUATION IS FURTHER RELIEVED

Measurable Improvement in Transportation Reported From All Sections of Country

S. A. L. HAS 1,000 EMPTIES

That Road, Together With Southern and A. C. L., Reports That Steps Have Been Taken to Avert Fertilizer Tie-Up.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Measurable improvement in the transportation conditions of the country, with respect to car shortage and congestion, were reported today from every section, according to announcement made tonight by the car service commission of the American Railway Association. The situation at Chicago, it was said, had been further relieved.

Congestion at Gulf ports decreased during the first two weeks of February, it was reported, by approximately 18 per cent., the total accumulations being 6,072 cars February 15th, as compared with 7,327 cars February 1. A further decrease is reported to have occurred since February 15th.

The Seaboard Air Line Railroad reported that it had available 1,000 empty box cars which it was placing at the disposal of the Southern, Nashville, Chattanooga, & St. Louis and Louisville & Nashville Railways for the use of shippers on those lines.

Representatives of the Southern, the Seaboard Air Line and the Atlantic Coast Line Railways gave notice that the needs of Southern fertilizer interests would be met at once and a threatened tie-up of the industry averted.

The commission sent letters to every railroad in the country bringing to their attention the recent request of independent oil interests in the middle west and elsewhere that in nforcing embargoes the railroads classify petroleum in tank cars as fuel. No action was required by the commission, the decision being left to the discretion of the various roads. The oil interests informed the commission that the business of many users of oil as fuel would be seriously affected if their supply were made unavailable by embargoes against the shipment of commodities other than foodstuffs.

WILSON'S DECISION TO BE NO BARRIER

Leader of German Center Party Says Empire's Destiny Lies in Submarine Warfare

MUST GO ON UNRESTRICTED

Conservative Leader, in Discussing the Situation, Says Austria Is in Complete Agreement With the German Policy.

Berlin, Feb. 28 (via Amsterdam and London).—When Chancellor von Bethmann-Hollweg had concluded his address in the Reichstag, speeches were made by various party leaders, including Dr. Peter Spahn, leader of the Centre party, who re-affirmed confidence in the submarine warfare. Referring to the blockade of German ports he said:

"America has protested against this, but she has refused to follow us. With full appreciation of the seriousness of the situation we must hold on and conquer, whatever President Wilson's decision may be. The order for unrestricted warfare involves the question of the whole destiny of our empire."

Count von Westarp, the Conservative leader, outlining his party's ideas of peace terms, said:

"New sacrifices require new demands, new compensations. Sufficient war indemnity must be collected to arm us against dangers of the future and to provide for resumption of economic competition. We must retain territory of economic value conquered with our blood. Courland and Livonia (Russia) offer ground for colonization ,and a German population there will protect our interests on the Baltic. At Briey and Longwy (northern France) we can find uesful coal and iron. The harbor at Antwerp we cannot do without and with this in our hands the individuality of the Flemish population can also be protected.

"In view of the recognition of the fact that England can reckon on the support of the American people, the German people stand united and determined behind the Kaiser.

"Our decision on unrestricted submarine warfare is immutable. We regret the recent loss of Dutch ships but it was England's fault, for she prevented

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DOUBLE VICTORY IS WON BY PROHIBITION IN CONGRESS

House Passes Senate Bill to Make District of Columbia Dry, While Senate and House Conferees Reach Agreement Under Which "Bone Dry" Measure is Virtually Assured Enactment.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Prohibition won a double victory in Congress tonight when the House passed by a vote of 273 to 137 the Senate bill to make the National capital dry and Senate and House conferees on the postal appropriation bill unexpectedly added an agreement under which the Reed "bone dry" amendment is virtually assured of enactment.

Hope of agreeing on the postal supply measure had been abandoned by the conferees, who last night submitted a resolution to continue existing postal appropriations for another year. Tonight ,however, they got together on a report which includes the Reed amendment, prohibiting shipment of liquor into prohibition states, and which they expect to present in both houses tomorrow or Friday.

The leaders though tonight there was no doubt of its acceptance in Senate and House. They are taking it for granted, too, that President Wilson will approve both that and the District of Columbia prohibition bill.

The District bill, which would become effective November first, was brought to a vote after a stubborn opposition had delayed for several hours the final roll call which the leaders knew would mean passage. All day and until late in the evening they stood by their guns, exhausting every parliamentary expedient to ward off action and watching for an opportunity to put the measure into a position that would mean its failure with the expiration of the session Sunday.

Failing to displace the bill or to force an adjournment the filibusterers centered their attention on an effort to add amendments that would throw it into conference and preven enactment at this session.

They made their last stand on an emendment that would have given the people of the District a referendum on the proposal and would have put into the measure a provision prohibiting importation of liquor for personal use. This was voted down 171 to 232. Various other amend ments were rejected by similar majorities.

Debate on the measure had been limited by the drastic rule under which it had been brought up, so that the usual dramatic features of filibustering strategy were replaced by long foll call forced by the opposition on repeated motions to adjourn, points of no quorum, amendments and motions to give some other bill the right of way.

After several hours the prohibition champions despaired of passing at all the House bill reported from the District of Columbia committee with numerous amendments, and adopted a special rule substituting the Senate bill.

Opposition to Granting Authority to Protect American Rights Begins to Melt Away

LACONIA CASE HAS EFFECT

Members Begin to Get Telegrams From Constituents Calling for Vigorous Action

SHOW SIGNS OF YIELDING

Vote on House Measure May be Taken This Afternoon

Washington, Feb. 28.—Opposition in Congress to granting President Wilson authority to protect American rights and lives on sea began melting today. Administration leaders confidently predicted action within another 24 hours.

There were indications that many of the Republicans of the Senate, who, though favoring the steps proposed, insist that Congress should be called in extra session, would vote for the measure requested by the President when the roll was called.

LaFollette May Filibuster

The chief reason for uncertainty was found in the attitude of Senator LaFollette, who has given indication of preparing for a single-handed filibuster in the closing hours of the session.

Details of the destruction of the Cunard liner Laconia published in the morning papers and telling of the suffering and death of three Americans, including a mother and daughter who were among the passengers, had its effect during the day. Members of the House and Senate whose communications had come largely from pacifists, began receiving telegrams from their constituents calling for vigorous action by the government.

The House foreign affairs committee early in the day reported out the Flood bill authorizing the President to arm American ships, with amendments eliminating the provision for use of "other instrumentalities" and adding a prohibition against the insurance of munition ships by the government war risk bureau. A special rule to expedite passage of the measure was introduced by Chairman Flood, of the foreign affairs committee, wh osaid he probably will press it tomorrow. It would provide for a vote not later than 4 o'clock p. m.

The administration plan is to have the Senate substitute for the House measure the bill reported by the Senate committee and based upon a memorandum prepared by he President. In the form of a conference report leaders anticipate no difficulty in having the House pass proptly the substitute.

Bryan Appears at Capitol.

Former Secretary Bryan appeared at the capitol tonight, while the House was debating the District of Columbia prohibition bill. It developed, however, that he had not come to support the efforts of the pacifist group, and in a general way endorsed President Wilson's address to Congress.

Another aggravating incident was added to the situation today by the receipt of word from Germany that four American consuls were being held there because a German consul on his way from the United States to Ecuador had been delayed in Cuba. A statement of the facts with a request for immediate release was cabled tonight.

TAFT FAVORS ARMY STAFF'S MILITARY TRAINING BILL

New York, Feb. 28—Former President Taft in a telegram today to the National Security League, declared he was in favor of the army bill proposed by the general staff. He said he did not think the Chamberlain bill "goes far enough."

The difference in the bills now before Congress is that the measure recommended by the general staff fixes an initial training period of eleven months, beginning with boys of 18, whereas the Chamberlain bill would take boys at

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health and advancement of the cause of good roads. However, the amendment was defeated.

Corporal Punishment

Senators Burgwin, Pollock and others figured against the elimination of corporal punishment. Mr. Pollock had traveled Europe and saw but few negroes and that this race in the South, or that portion that finds its way into the prisoners as incorrigible prisoners must be ruled largely by the lash. Amendments to retain corporal punishment were all lost. The vote on them was 21 to 26.

The Senate passed on final reading the fertilizer inspection bill and then went into executive session to confirm some appointments by the Governor.

New Bills in Senate.

New bills in the Senate were:

Oates—Amend the act dividing the State into judicial districts as it applies to Hoke county.

Hall—Extend corporate limits of Ellenboro.

Kelly—Extend the limits of Bladenboro.

Bunn—Amend the law as to co-operative work of the A. & M. College and the State Department of Agriculture.

Passed Final Reading

Third reading roll call bills passed in the following order:

Provide for enlargement of graded school districts in incorporated towns; Special tax for Selma; Amend the Wilmington police pension act; Amend the 1915 law applying to cities and towns; Bonds for Richmond county home.

New Bills in House.

New bills in the House were:

Taylor—Provide a suitable building for the State Board of Agriculture.

Taylor—Regulate the fees of trustees in foreclosures.

Grant—Appoint two rural policemen for New Hanover; Authorize additional help for sheriff of New Hanover; Amend the Revisal relative to evidence; Amend the Revisal relative to coroner's fees, so they will receive fees for viewing bodies whether an inquest is necessary or not; Amend the law relative to duties of coroners; Require horse drawn vehicles to display lights at night.

Grantham—Abolish recorder's court in Harnett.

Davis—Regulate hunting blinds in North Carolina.

Ray, of Chatham—Repeal law relative to embalmers' license.

Grier—Amend the act of 1913 as to co-operative work between the A. & M. College and the State Department of Agriculture.

Pharr—Include Mecklenburg in the State-wide primary act.

Gardner—Construct State highway through Yancey, Mitchell, Watauga and other counties.

Covington—Ten thousand dollar school bonds for Raeford.

Breece—Relative to the registration of veterinarians.

The Senate bill by Senator Jones to extend the suffrage to the women of Lincolnton on municipal questions, was laid before the House and was tabled on motion of Representative Love.

Teachers Bill Passed

The House took under consideration and finally passed by a good majority the State-wide bill for certification of first grade teachers through a State board of examiners, six in number, three men and three women, who are to be also the conductors of the teachers' institutes. It was argued at length and finally passed by a very large vote with an amendment for the Governor to appoint the members of the board of examiners and institute conductors without nomination through the executive committee of the Teachers' Assembly.

Grier, of Iredell, opposed strenuously on the ground that there is too much machinery that is expensive and takes the money from the children to no real purpose. Beaurocracy is absorbing the funds, he charged.

Representative Doughton expressed surprise at the attitude of Mr. Grier and advocated the bill strongly as a step toward a real State system of schools so much needed.

Passed Final Reading

Bills passed final reading as follows:

Authorize bonds by Pamlico commissioners; Bond issue for Grifton; Allow Brunswick to vote on location of the county seat as between Southport, Supply and Bolivia; Amend Burlington tax law; Special school tax for Burgaw; Ratify sale of Richmond county bonds; Special tax for Washington; Relative to the duties of Pender commissioners; Special tax for Pamlico; Amend the law as to the purchase of lands by cities and towns; Amend act as to the extension of the corporate limits of Farmville.

New Hanover Example Cited

The Speaker laid before the House the Senate bill as to the Australian ballot passed by the Senate to apply to the Tenth district and Madison county and amended by the House committee to apply only to Buncombe, Madison and Henderson counties, and that with an unfavorable report from the committee and minority favorable report led by Roberts, of Buncombe.

There was a motion to table that was carried before Representative Roberts realized what was up. He moved to reconsider and got the reconsideration through in quick order and launched a long fight that finally won out for the bill by a vote of 69 to 41 on second reading. Then the bill went over.

Mr. Roberts said he had to confess with humiliation that in Buncombe county recently men were marched up to the polls and voted in blocks. This could not happen under his Australian ballot bill. He told of the Australian system New Hanover is using and would not part with it.

Representative Brummit insisted that the bill would "gut" the State election law and make elections in the State a veritable crazy quilt.

Ray, of Macon, opposed the bill with great vigor. He doubted if the gentleman from Buncombe could vote the ballot his bill prescribed himself in a week.

The House recessed to 8 o'clock.

EAT WITHOUT FEAR OF INDIGESTION OR SOUR, ACID STOMACH

Instant Relief! "Pape's Diapepsin" Ends Your Stomach Distress. Try It!

Wonder what upset your stomach—which portion of the food did the damage—do you? Well, don't bother. If your stomach is in a revolt; if sick, gassy and upset, and what you just ate has fermented and turned sour; head dizzy and aches; belch gases and acids and eructate undigested food; breath foul, tongue coated—just take a little Pape's Diapepsin to help neutralize acidity and in five minutes you wonder what became of the indigestion and distress.

Millions of men and women today know that it is needless to have dyspepsia. A little Diapepsin occasionally keeps the stomach sweetened and they eat their favorite foods without fear.

If your stomach doesn't take care of your liberal limit without rebellion; if your food is a damage instead of a help, remember the quickest, surest, most harmless relief is Pape's Diapepsin, which costs only fifty cents for a large case at drug stores. It's truly wonderful—it stops fermentation and acidity and sets things straight, so gently and easily that it is really astonishing.

RED CROSS BEGINS DRIVE

Tents Have Been Pitched on Postoffice Green and Active Campaign Will be Begun Today.

From their temporary "field headquarters" on the postoffice green the Wilmington chapter of the American Red Cross will today begin their drive for new members. The goal has been set at 1,000, and the officers of the society are determined that they will not fall short of their mark.

Two tents, typical of a Red Cross headquarters, have been pitched on the green in front of the postoffice building. Pretty young women, dressed as Red Cross nurses, will assist the committee in charge and add to the realness of the scene.

Red Cross methods of first aid to the injured will be demonstrated and the public is invited to visit the tents. All who are interested in the work of the Red Cross Society are urged to unite with the organization and aid in every possible way. The following committee will be in charge.

Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, Mrs. Walter L. Parsley, Miss Lucile Murchison, Mrs. M. L. Stover, Mrs. J. T. King, Mrs. J. V. Grainger, Mrs. S. Solomon, Mrs. L. Bluethenthal, Mrs. Hugh MacRae, Mrs. J. M. Solky, Miss Lilly Walter Hanns, Mrs. William C. Munds, Mrs. William H. Sprunt, Mrs. A. G. Ricaud, and Mrs. W. A. Southerland.

The following young ladies will appear in the role of Red Cross nurses: Misses Ethel Solomon, Lucile Solky, Kate Faison, Julia Faison, Alice Walker, Caroline Holmes, Katherine Williams, Mary Bellamy, Lucile Worth, Kate Northrop, Elizabeth Pemberton and Eleanor Harriss.

Practically every organization in the city is co-operating in the membership campaign which will continue for three days. One of the tents, located on the south side of the postoffice green, will be used for exhibits by the National Special Aid Society. This afternoon from 3:30 to 4:30 o'clock and also tomorrow afternoon at the same hour, a demonstration of first aid work will be given. The Boy Scouts will bring in a "wounded" person on a stretcher, a nurse will give explanations of the proper placing of bandages.

SPLENDID MUSICAL RECITAL GIVEN AT BOYS' BRIGADE

Wilmot Goodwin and Associated Artists to Give New Programme Tonight.

Wilmot Goodwin, baritone, was heard by an appreciative audience in a splendid recital at the Boys' Brigade last night and will sing again tonight. Assisting him in the rectals are Miss Florence Austn, American violinist, and Samuel H. Quincy, pianist.

In a programme composed of groups of songs from all the best composers, Mr. Goodwin had ample opportunity to show his wonderful voice to the very best advantage. He has clear enunciatin, while his phrasing and breath control is well nigh perfect. One of the best selections by him was the "Three Shadows" (Campbell-Tipton) while in direct contrast was the "Vulcan's Song" (Gounod) in which the wonderful range of his voice was splendidly exhibited. In the next group those most favorably received were "Days of Long Ago" (Fearle) and "Auld Plaid Shawl" (Haynes). He closed with a group of old songs ending with "Love's Old Sweet Song" (Molloy). This selection was rendered with such wonderful effect that although it was announced at the beginning of the evening that no encores would be given, Mr. Goodwin was compelled to respond with a second appearance in which a pleasing effect was created by Miss Austin playing an obligato in a subdued tone at the rear of the stage.

Miss Austin is a violinist of great talent and her numbers on the programme last evening were greatly enjoyed. Among those most enjoyed were a minuet (Borcherini-Musin) followed by a little gem, "Poeme" (Fibich). The beauty of this lay in the splendid execution as a mute was used throughout. She ended this group by a rendition of the famous Kreisler "Liebesfreund," played with a rollicking abandon.

Mr. Quincy is not only a splendid pianist but a most excellent accompanist. He was on the stag all the time and in neither his solo parts or as accompanist did he fail to measure up to the expectation produced by his rendition of the Eighth Hungarian Rhapsody.

Each number was greeted with applause but as the organization under whose auspices the artists appear have decreed that no encores are to be given, they did not respond with a single exception.

The programme tonight will be entirely different, one of the features being a reading by Mr. Goodwin, which will be interpreted by Mr. Quincy. The recital begins promptly at 8:15.

CAROLINA DEFEATED B YV, P. I. IN A HARD FOUGHT BATTLE

Lynchburg, Va., Feb. 28.—Virginia Polytechnic Institute tonight defeated the University of North Carolina in a hard fough battle on the Blacksburg court, by a score of 30 to 22. The Techs gained a ten point lead before the Tar Heels located the nets, but the visitors came back strong in the second half and the two teams ran neck and neck until the last minutes when the Virginians went to the fore.

Columbus, N. M., Feb. 28.—Rumos that Pancho Villa plans to attack Juarez resulted today in all save one hundred of the Carranza troops at Palomas, opposite here, being despatched overland to reinforce the Juarez garrison.

EXPLAINS HOW HE AND MRS. CATLETT GAINED ON TANLAC

Interesting Story of How Two Wilmingtonians Found Health and Happiness is Told by South Fourth Street Man. Wife Gained Two and a Half Pounds on First Bottle.

And yet another interesting story of results accomplished by Tanlac in this city is offered in the following statement from Samuel Catlett, residing at 1404 South Fourth street and, by occupation, a bridge builder.

"My wife and I have taken Tanlac and are surely pleased with the results we have gained and we are going to continue with the full treatment of six bottles," Mr. Catlett told the Tanlac Man.

"I had suffered from indigestion before taking Tanlac and Mrs. Catlett was a victim of a rundown system and nervousness.

"I felt myself going into bad health and my wife's constant complaining made me feel that something had to be done for our relief. And, seeing so many statements from the good people of this section on what Tanlac had done for them, we lost no time in getting it.

"Really, I must say that the results we have so far enjoyed through Tanlac are nothing short of wonderful. Why, I don't suffer from indigestion any longer and my appetite is fine and my sleep is sound and rest producing. As for Mrs. Catlett, she gained two and a half pounds from the very first bottle and, as like myself, is feeling just fine."

When asked if he objected to having his statement made public Mr. Catlett informed the Tanlac Man very enthusiastically: "No! Publish our story for we are glad to recommend Tanlac in appreciation of the relief enjoyed through its use."

Genuine Tanlac is sold in Wilmington exclusively by R. R. Bellamy. Each town has its Tanlac dealer.—Adv.

ODD FELLOWS' ANNIVERSARY

Wilmington Lodge Will Celebrate Their 25th Anniversary Tonight With Appropriate Ceremonies

Wilmington Lodge No. 139, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, will celebrate their 25th anniversary in the Odd Fellows Hall, Third and Princess street, this evening. Final preparations for the event have been completed and all the members are looking forward to an enjoyable occasion.

The programme will include a number of addresses. Among those will speak are Hon. John D. Bellamy, who will talk on "Reminiscences of the Work By the R. J. Jones Team," W. L. Smith, Esq., who will speak on "Odd Fellowship of the Past 25 Years," Mr. W. C. Smith, secretary of the lodge, will make an address on the statistics of the lodge since its organization, while Brook G. Empie, Esq., will also make an address.

The members of the lodge will form in the hall at 8 o'clock this evening in regular order, and a short business session will be held. This will be followed by an elaborate supper.

Of the 116 original charter members who were installed into the mysteries of Odd Fellowship by the R. J. Jones degree team of the Cape Fear Lodge, 25 years ago, there remain only 14 members in good standing. Seven of these have signified their intention of attending the anniversary celebration tonight.

A number of those who were members of the degree team that initiated the local Odd Fellows will be present. Chairman J. F. Littleton, of the committee on arrangements has received cards from 45 members of the craft, signifying their intention of attending.

—Among the arrivals at the Orton yesterday were: Jack Smith, Scottsville; J. H. Hollingsworth, Roseboro; Bayard Clark, Elizabethtown; James B. Church, Southport; M. E. Blackwell, Greensboro; Nathan O'Berry, Goldsboro; W. A. Underwood, Asheboro; M. S. Welsh, Hillsboro.

SPORTS

Championship Not Conceded By A. & M.

NO OFFICIAL REFEREE AT DURHAM—TECHS FINISH SEASON BY DEFEATING ELON COLLEGE AT RALEIGH, 20 TO 19.

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—In a game which closed the season for A. & M., Elon College was defeated here tonight by a score of 20 to 10. The contest was featured by poor passing and goal shooting by both teams.

Captain Temple played his last game for the Techs.

A. & M. does not concede the State championship to Trinity, in view of the fact that there was no official referee at Durham last night and therefore the game could not be rightfully forfeited to the Methodists. Line-up:

A. & M.		Elon
Temple	RF	Franks
Cline	LF	Sorrells
Ducey	C	Cox
Johnson	RG	Seawell
Lewis	LG	Holliday

Field goals— Cline 3, Temple 3, Lewis 2, Ducey 1, Franks 1, Sorrells 1, Cox 1, Seawell 1. Four goals—Lewis 2, Sorrells 2. Referee Bill Holding, Wake Forest.

HANSON, INJURED, LOSSES TWO OUT OF THREE TO KILONIS

Wilmington Swede Had Better of It Until Hurt, in Columbia.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Columbia, S. C., Feb. 28.—By throwing Fritz Hanson to the mat so strenuously that the Wilmington Swede was stunned, John Kilonis won the deciding fall of the match here tonight.

Kilonis won the first fall in 44 minutes, while the second went to Hanson in eight minutes.

The men had been wrestling 14 minutes of the third fall when Hanson secured an overhead crotch hold and was apparently about to win from Kilonis when the Greek kicked himself free.

As Hanson fell away, one of Kilonis' feet struck him in the jaw and he was helpless when the Greek grabbed him, dragged him around the mat and pinned his shoulders.

Hanson was the favorite and the big crowd made a mild demonstration, although Kilonis was not actually bothered at the close of the match.

While it was clearly unintentional, the fans did not like such a termination of the match, when Hanson had all the better of it until injured.

BEELL TO MEET HANSON.

Swede and South Carolinian Will Clash Friday

Fred Beell, the South Carolina wrestler, has wired that he will be glad to accept Fritz Hanson's offer for a match here Friday night. This means that the local fans will have an opportunity of seeing at least one more good exhibition of the mat game before the close of the present season.

Through his father and manager, Pink Gardner has announced that he will be unable to come to Wilmington in the near future for a match with Hanson, as he has signed up for a number of bouts, three of which will be with Con Albright, the clever Greenville, S. C. Irishman.

WILSON'S DECISION TO BE NO BARRIER

(Continued From Page One).

the ships leaving during the period of safety. Let this be an earnest warning to neutrals.

"Austria is in complete agreement regarding the submarine war. Nor can there be any retirement before the demands of the United States. The whole nation agrees in that.

"President Wilson's attempt to bring neutrals to his side completely failed. We rejoice in that and also that after our rupture with America, Mr. Wilson is done for as a peace mediator so far as we are concerned."

Dr. Otto Weimer, progressive, declared that the submarine warfare must be supported by the entire nation. He continued:

"The chancellor's words regarding the rupture of relations with America will not fail to have their effect outside the house and in certain quarters in America which thus far have not recognized the situation clearly."

REMODELING SEASHORE HOTEL

Popular Resort Hostelry Will be Completely Overhauled.

Twenty five men have begun the work of repairing the Seashore Hotel, preliminary to the opening of the beach season a few weeks hence. The improvements under way will consist of the enlargement and improvement of the dining room and the installation of additional lavoratories and baths and an almost complete overhauling of the establishment.

After deciding on this plan, the directors of the hotel were confronted with the probabilities of war with Germany, and a meeting was held at which it was decided to curtail the original programme later, however, they met for the third time and decided to carry out their original plan.

Donaldson Defeats Selma

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 28.—Donaldson Military School closed its basketball season last night by defeating the Selma High School 28 to 13 in a fast, though rather one-sided game. F. Parker, the speedy left forward of the cadets, and Jones, left guard, were the stars of the affair, while Underwood, Donaldson's big center, was always on the job and tossed five goals from scrimmage. Richardson, left guard, was Selma's star man.

Washington, Feb. 28—The first squad of players of the Washington American League baseball team left here today to begin spring training at Augusta, Ga. Walter Johnson and Manager Griffith expect to join the squad next Wednesday.

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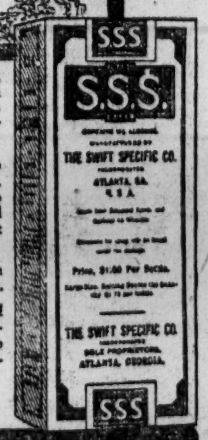

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While 364,991 Are Liable, According to Figures Compiled by S. H. Hobbs, Jr., In University Study of State Revenues.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., Feb. 28.—"Two-thirds of the white population of the State of North Carolina have no property of any sort whatsoever listed on the tax books, and two-fifths of the white tax payers who pay a property tax at all have less than $500 on the tax books and in 1915 paid only $1.20 apiece or less to support the State and its institutions."

Such was the statement of S. H. Hobbs, Jr., of Sampson county, in a paper on "The Tax Revenues of North Carolina and the Per Capita Cost of Government" before the North Carolina Club Monday night. Mr. Hobbs then proceeded to show that the total amount of real or personal property tax on the books is less than half of the tax revenues received by the treasurer, or $2,223,878. While the total tax receipts amounted to $5,000,902, which is a lower basis than is found in 27 states of the Union, nine of which are in the South. Clearly then the tax payers of North Carolina are not burdened with taxes for State support beyond those of the majority of the Southern commonwealths and have no right to kick and dodge the tax lister as an imposter.

The other sources of revenue in the State, as brought out by Mr. Hobbs, are earnings from the various State departments, from the business tax, from interest on State moneys, from special property taxes, from subventions or gifts by the nation for specific purposes, from donations by individuals, from poll tax, and from fines, forfeitures and escheats. The amazing fact discovered in connection with the study of the poll tax is that in 1915 there were in the State 364,991 polls liable for tax, of which 289,000 voted in the last presidential election, while only 25,100 voters paid the required tax of $1.43. Think of it—$522,000 due from this source and only $36,000 collected! North Carolina is one of the 13 states in the Union that levies a poll tax, but if it is to be so loosely enforced perhaps it would be wise to follow the lead of 35 other states and abolish it altogether. Thus the per capita revenue receipts from all sources were only $2.01—the lowest of any state in the Union save South Carolina with a per capita revenue of $1.72.

Mr. Hobbs then proceeded to analyze the distribution of these funds on a per capita basis. Our total governmental cost payments including expenses of all kinds was $2.14 per inhabitant. The average for all the Southern states was $3.20, or a third more than the average for North Carolina. For highways, public health and sanitation, conservation of natural resources and general governmental cost the per capita cost was $1.76.

The speaker concluded by asserting that these facts ought to ease the minds of tax payers who pay grudgingly for State enterprises that protect the people, care for old soldiers and the sick, and promote education, progress and prosperity.

MAXTON CIVIC LEAGUE MEETS

Maps Out Its Campaign For the Coming Year—Officers.

Maxton, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Civic League met on call yesterday to map out its campaign for the ensuing year.

This organization, which has for its officers, Mrs. J. O. McClelland, president; Mrs. H. L. Stanton, secretary and Mrs. O. C. Nicholson, treasurer, and as members, many of the ladies of the town, has been in operation several years with much success. Among its commendable activities is the taking up of all vacant lots and pieces of ground, and planting them with grass and flowers. In many instances this has resulted in turning unsightly plots into places of beauty.

At Carolina College.

Maxton, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Y. W. C. A. of Carolina College held its annual reception last evening, which was largely attende d by invited guests among the town people.

MEAT INJURIOUS TO THE KIDNEYS

Take a Tablespoonful of Salts if Back Hurts or Bladder Bothers—Meat Forms Uric Acid.

We are a nation of meat eaters and our blood is filled with uric acid, says a well known authority, who warns us to be constantly on guard against kidney trouble.

The kidneys do their utmost to free the blood of this irritating acid, but become weak from the overwork; they get sluggish; the eliminative tissues clog and thus the waste is retained in the blood to poison the entire system.

When your kidneys ache and feel like lumps of lead, and you have stinging pains in the back or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment, or the bladder is irritable, obliging you to seek relief during the night, when you have severe headaches, nervous and dizzy spells, sleeplessness, acid stomach or rheumatism in bad weather, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning and in a few days your kidneys will act fine. This famous salts is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys, to neutralize the acids in urine so it is no longer a source of irritation, thus ending urinary and bladder disorders.

Jad Salts is inexpensive and cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink, and nobody can make a mistake by taking a little occasionally to keep the kidneys clean and active.

TRAFFIC BUREAU IS TO BE ESTABLISHED IN FAYETTEVILDE

To Take Fullest Possible Advantage of River Improvement

(Special Star Correspondence).

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 28.—The officers of the Fayetteville chamber of commerce were ordered by the board of directors last night to proceed with the establishment of a traffic bureau in connection with the chamber, designed to help the city and the State to take the fullest possible advantage of the canalization of the Cape Fear river. The first step in this direction will be the employment of a rate expert who will also be general manager of the chamber of commerce.

The chamber officials have under consideration an experienced chamber of commerce man who has made a reputation for his handling of rate and traffic matters and has done work of far-reaching importance to North Carolina along this line, but his name cannot be given out at this time. This announcement was made by the secretary, Miss Bessie Marsh, this morning, following the final report of the campaign committees which have been working up the matter. The fact that the business men of Fayetteville have given undoubted proof that they are alive to the possibilities of the river canalization, which if utilized will give Fayetteville a traffic position second to that of no city between Richmond and Savannah, is one of the most important events in the industrial history of the town, second only to the canalization itself.

CLARKTON REVIVAL CONCLUDED

Services Conducted by Evangelist O. G. Jones Largely Attended

(Special Star Correspondence).

Clarkton, N. C., Feb. 28.—The series of meetings which have been conducted at the Presbyterian church here the past week by Dr. O. G. Jones came to a close last evening with a strong sermon by the evangelist from the 21st chapter of John. The church was filled to its capacity. Dr. Jones has preached some powerful sermons while here, and no doubt his coming will prove a blessing to the many who have heard him. In addition to being a preacher of great power, he is equally as good a singer and he preaches the gospel in song as well as in his sermons.

Rev. W. H. Goodman, pastor of the church, expressed the appreciation of himself and the congregation of Dr. Jones' services while here. Dr. Jones responded and extended his thanks to the junior choir, the regular choir and the pastor and people for their kindness and hearty co-operation, and expressed his appreciation of the splendid order of all who attended the services.

Before beginning his last sermon the evangelist sang, "Back to My Father and Home" and then announced that he was going to preach about Peter, from the words, "Tell Peter." The sermon was a strong plea for a closer following of the Master.

ORDER OF HEPTASOPHS "IN BAD" IN NORTH CAROLINA

License Cancelled and Receiver Appointed to Take Charge of Funds.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—Commissioner of Insurance James R. Young has cancelled the license of the Improved Order of Heptasophs to do business in this State for the reason that they are not taking care of judgments and executions procured against them in this State. At the same time the commissioner has, through the Attorney General, taken steps to have a receiver appointed for the funds of the order deposited in this State to safeguard liabilities that arise in this State against the organization.

J. B. Cheshire, Jr., has been named as receiver. There are sixty-odd judgments already involved. The fund in this State is about $7,000.

The license of the New England Equitable Surety Co., of Massachusetts, has been cancelled by the Commissioner of Insurance, following proceedings against the concern by the Department of Insurance in Massachusetts for the appointment of a receiver. There are assurances that the assets will be ample to take care of the claims of policy holders.

HARD TO GET PASSPORTS

War Precautions Place Difficulties in Way of Tourists.

"Since the beginning of the European war the matter of securing passports has been one of much trouble to persons about to sail for the other side," remarked H. J. Smith, of New York, a world traveler.

"The Russian passport system is usually looked upon as the most difficult to overcome, and is regarded as a nuisance by most persons. On going to the Russian border a gendarme takes your passport before you leave the train to ascertain if it is properly vised by some Russian consul. Porters take your luggage to the custom house and the police inform you that it is against the law to tip a porter.

"Nowhere in the world is luggage examined more superficially than in Russia, nor can the custom house officials be excelled in politeness. Before the train leaves your passport is returned to you, and when registering at a hotel it is given to the manager, who upon a few hours' notice has it entered into the passport register of the precinct of police. When leaving Russia the passport must be examined by the mayor of the town, and all this is attended to by the hotel management.

SCOTT BILL GETS O. K. REPORT

Third Time Pender Stock Law Has Had Airing This Session

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—For the third time during this session of the Legislature, the Pender county stock law question had a hearing before committee Monday afternoon, when Representative Scott's bill to submit the question of fence tax to the voters of Pender county was given a hearing by the committees on propositions and grievances and given a favorable report, the vote of the committees being 12 to 6. This bill is to put into effect the act of 1915, which got tied up in the court on account of a technicality. Represetnative Scott and Senator Burnett spoke for the bill. Those who spoke against the bill were Messrs. C. E. McCullen, T. J. Armstrong, E. A. Hawes, Jr., and J. T. Bland, Sr.

ELECTRIC LIGHTS SOON

Poles and Wires Being Put up Rapidly in Chadbourn

(Special Star Correspondence).

Chadbourn, N. C., Feb. 28—Chadbourn will soon have electric lights, as the work of putting up poles and wires is progressing rapidly. This will be a wonderful improvement, and something the town should have had long ago, in the view of progressive citizens.

GREAT INDEED

Has Been the Benefit to Wilmington People of the wonderful New Form of Very Old Medicine.

A Peerless Body Builder and Strength Creator—Once Objectionable, Now Agreeable to All.

Thanks to Robert R. Bellamy, Our Leading Druggist, Who Brought It Here.

Probably no branch of science has made such wonderful strides and changes during the past century as have been made in the practice of medicine. The science of mental healing every year claiming its multitude of new converts; the proverbial ounce of prevention is practiced in every branch of medicine and healing art; laws have been enacted to prohibit the sale of habit-forming drugs; a nation wide "health insurance" is considered and less medicines are used in the cure of disease than at any time in our history. But such an old and standard remedial agent as cod liver oil still finds its place in the practice of modern medicine.

Every one knows the objection, however, to the use of this nauseating remedy. So extremely disagreeable is the taste and smell of cod liver oil that many people have actually been unable to take a single dose of it. Many others have made heroic efforts to take the medicine, but have been obliged to abandon it after struggling with the horrible stuff for a few days.

The consequence is that thousands have drifted into incurable diseases who might have been saved, had it been possible to administer this potent medicine. Enough people have been able to assimilate cod liver oil to prove to the medical profession and the world at large, its intrinsic value. Such patients as were blessed with unusually strong stomachs derived benefit from cod liver oil. Why, then, could not a form of it be devised, to be administered to patients whose digestive organs had been weakened by disease.

This is exactly what scientists and chemists have been aiming at for years, and this is exactly what was accomplished by two prominent French chemists. Some years ago their secret was brought to America, and our local druggist, Mr. Bellamy, succeeded in connecting himself with the prominent firm of Boston Chemists who placed this new preparation on the market.

By a peculiar process the liver of the cod is treated in such a manner that there is obtained an extract or cod liver peptonate which contains all the curative properties that have made cod liver oil famous. The horrible smelling, nauseating oil that has always been a part of this remedy is left entirely behind.

These cod liver peptones are given in Vinol, which Mr. Bellamy is offering to his customers. To this is added the blood making, strengthening qualities of tonic iron, manganese peptones and glycero-phosphates, which makes Vinol supreme in its field to build up strength for all run-down conditions, after sickness, for feeble old people, delicate children, and which also makes it such a grand constitutional remedy for chronic cough, colds and bronchitis.

Mr. Bellamy will be glad to tell any of his customers the good that is being done by finding a pleasant way to administer what has always been considered a valuable but much dreaded medicine—to say nothing of its having been made more efficient.

PAPER MAKERS GIVE COST FIGURES FOR MANUFACTURE

Ask That Such Prices Be Fixed as Will Enable Them to Make Profit.

Washington, Feb. 28.—News print paper manufacturers who have proposed to the Federal Trade Commission that it fix prices for their product submitted to the commission today cost figures for their mills and asked that the price allowed permit them still to do business at a profit. Present costs, they declared, would mount during the year because of scarcity of wood and advancing labor prices.

P. T. Dodge, head of the International Paper Company, told the commission that for years his and other mills have made little profit, and that some of his mills are now selling at less than cost of production.

TWO CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR

Chadbourn Municipal Election Promises to be Warm Affair.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Chadbourn, N. C., Feb. 28.—The election for town officers the 7th of March will be an exciting contest, as there are two candidates for the mayor's office, Mr. D. C. Clark, the popular cashier of the Chadbourn bank, having entered the race as an independent candidate. Mr. O. M. Powers was nominated by an overwhelming majority at the primary election Friday night. Both Mr. Clark and Mr. Powers have strong supporters and it will be a close race, according to indications.

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EPISCOPAL PENSION FUND GOES INTO EFFECT TODAY

Clergymen Over 68 Years of Age and Widows Will Draw From It

New York, Feb. 28.—The pension fund of the Protestant-Episcopal church, for which purpose $6,500,000 has been raised, providing for the pensioning of aged clergymen, their widows and orphans, will become effective tomorrow, Bishop Lawrence, of Massachusetts, announced tonight.

According to the provisions of the newly located pension system, every active clergyman of the Episcopal church upon reaching the age of 68 will be eligible to retirement on a minimum pension of $600 a year. Widows will receive one-half the sum to which their husoands would have been entitled and allowances will be made to all dependent orphans of deceasen clergymen at the rate of $100 a year for each child under seven years, and $200 for each child between the ages of seven and fourteen.

WOULD ENLIST CHILDREN TO HELP DECREASE PRICES

Kansas City, Mo., Feb. 28.—Enlistment of school children to defeat the high cost of living by production of vegetables in school gardens was considered today by the School Garden Association of America. It met as a part of the annual convention of the superintendency division of the National Educational Association. Plans were made by agriculturists connected with city schools to obtain permission to use vacant lots and back yards for cultivation.

TO PRESENT OIL PORTRAIT.

Likeness of General Pender to Adorn Hall of History.

(Special Star Correspondence)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28—Exercises are being arranged for April 28th that will mark the presentation to the North Carolina Hall of History of an oil portrait of General William D. Pender, who served most valiantly in the Confederate Army. The painting comes from members of the family through the Pender Chapter, Daughters of Confederacy of Tarboro.

THE WORD OF A POKER PLAYER

What Is a Pledge to Quit at 11:30 Sharp Worth?

(Kansas City Star).

All poker players, in addition to being as superstitious as African headmen, are born triflers with the truth. A man may be so honest in business that he will walk four blocks to give back a nickel overcharge; he may be a paragon of veracity in his home and in his office, but once he sits down behind a stack of vari-colored ships he becomes a blood relative of Old Man Ananias.

In one of those wide verandahed, sombre-looking residence hotels on East Ninth street a poker club flourishes. It is a nice club, with a respectably low limit. Some few days ago, following an all-night session and consequent mental depression, it was unanimously agreed that the game should end, stop, cease and be brought to a close at 11:30 sharp.

"I won't play a minute later than that time," said the chemist with the Van Dyke and the persistent inability to fill flushes or straights.

"If you fellows are goin' to play any later than 11:30, I'm goin' to bed now," was the ultimatum of the traveling man with the touch of gray at his temples.

FORECLOSURE SALE.

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed, dated June 6th, 1916, made and executed by W. H. King, James M. King and wife, F. V. King, to the Citizens' Bank, Inc., duly registered in Book 80, Page 400, of the records in the office of the Register of Deeds, New Hanover county, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of interest due on the indebtedness secured thereby, the undersigned will sell, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Court House door in the said county of New Hanover, at Twelve o'clock noon, on Monday the 2nd day of April, 1917, the following described piece, parcel or lot of land, situate, lying and being in the City of Wilmington, County of New Hanover, State of North Carolina, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit:

BEGINNING at a point where the Eastern line of Fifth street intersects with the Southern line of Marstella street, and runs thence Eastwardly with and along the said Southern line of Marstella street, 80 feet; thence Southwardly and parallel with the Eastern line of Fifth street 33 feet; thence Westwardly and parallel with the Southern line of Marstella street 80 feet to the Eastern line of Fifth street; thence Northwardly with and along said Eastern line of Fifth street 33 feet to the point of beginning. The same being a part of Lot 1, in Block 540, according to the present official plan of the said City of Wilmington, N. C.

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Sport crepe in new blue and sand, 36 inches wide; priced at ..... **$1.25** a yard

Sport striped taffetas, suitable for skirtings, 36 inches wide; prices ..... **$1.50** and **$2.00** a yard

Crepe de chines in spot shades, gold and chartreuse, ... **$1.25** a yard

Silk Shirtings

We are selling these materials for men's shirts as well as for ladies' waists. There are three delightful qualities. Wash silk shirtings in dainty stripes, 32 inches wide, priced ..... **$1.15** a yard

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THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 1917.

TOP O' THE MORNING.

St. Peter failed as well as Judas, but he repented, while Judas plunged deeper into sin.—DR. CHAPMAN.

Us boobs. Hello, boys!

"Leatherless shoes." Guess they are for men.

Buy your spring toggery and modery in Wilmington.

Old Man Grim is approaching you for recognition.

Looks as if an ammunitions factory would be a paying industry.

Despite the high cost of paper, the people's paper is still being issued in larger form. Its name is the Congressional Record.

An old fashioned politician declares that there is no longer any fun in politics. If that be true, Mr. George W. Perkins might as well quit thinking he is in politics.

Strange things happen now and then. A couple arrived in Baltimore on Monday and within an hour both received telegrams announcing the death of their mothers.

Man invented the submarine to do an assassin's work in war and now man is horrified at his own invention. The Zeppelin and the airplane are pretty much in the same boat.

The cigarette leg is the latest. An officer who recruits men for the navy says he has to turn down a large proportion because they have cigarette legs—made stringy because of the cigarette habit.

When a man has an idea and expresses it, he does not feel called upon to fight for it. It is a mistake to judge public sentiment by the ideas that prevail, but it is safe to rely upon sentiment that is deeply rooted in conviction.

The Asheville Times says "the Girl Scouts are growing." After they get fully grown they can easily capture the Boy Scouts when they get to scouting around after the Girl Scouts. Life is just one dramatic and tragic thing right after another.

A jury is trying to find out what is the matter with Harry Thaw, but we suppose it will be some time before it will conclude that Harry's ailment is a predisposition to entertain deceased ideas. That is what makes Harry and some other people get busy and start something.

The Republicans in Congress are monkeying around with their theory of a protective tariff. They ought to know by now that making prosperity for a few does not make prosperity for the masses. Piling up wealth for the few makes hunger for the many. High tariffs and war both bring about that kind of prosperity. One of them at a time is more than a plenty.

The Apalachicola Times says: "Why should the legislature be called every two years? There are already enough laws on the books for the government of the people, and if we had no session for ten years we would be better off." Maybe so, but it might be worse. The politicians might agitate something during the whole intervening ten years.

Uncle Sam is going to investigate the high cost of living, so he surely will have something to do. He will have to investigate from all these angles: The War in Europe, shortage of American crops, shortage of foodstuffs in the world, manipulation of foodstuffs by monopolies and combines, price fixing by distributors' organizations and by local dealers, speculation in foodstuffs, railroad congestion, exorbitant freight charges, middle men's operations, costly ways of selling and buying, etc., etc. The investigators have asked for a year in which to do their work. They will need a year, but by the time their report is ready most of us will be ding-busted.

THE OVERT ACT.

The Wilson administration regards the sinking of the steamship Laconia, with the loss of two American lives, as the long awaited "overt act." It has been so officially declared by the administration, but it is up to Congress to act about it. President Wilson has done all he can do without authority to act further as to protection of American lives and rights on the high seas.

The responsibility has been shifted from the President to Congress. It seems that Congress must do the thinking and the acting now. Congress used to wait on the President, but the President is now waiting on Congress. Will Congress agree that it is an "overt act" and take action accordingly or empower the President to act?

Most authorities agree that the sinking was an "overt act" following due warning, and Congress now has the international question in its own hands. The President notified Congress as to what he thinks our duty is and also that he had found it impossible to safeguard our neutral rights by diplomatic means. Diplomacy has been exhausted. Patience also has been exhausted.

The responsibility now shifts to Congress and the people will look to Congress. Finding itself with the bag to hold now, it is believed that Congress will take occasion to shift the responsibility back to the President by granting him the power that he asked for on Monday. Of course, if Congress does not do that, Congress will have to be held responsible by the people.

Congress will have to decide whether the Laconia incident is an overt act, and Congress will have to decide what this country is going to do about it.

BUY NORMALLY AND NOT HYSTERICALLY.

Mr. Edward Schmidt, of the Hermann Schmidt Grocery Company, of Richmond, tells the Richmond Virginian that the consumer is partly responsible for sudden rise in price and scarcity of certain groceries and products. No doubt the newspapers are, too, for they have unwittingly published bear articles sent to them by the meat and foodstuffs distributors at odd times. Such articles made good reading but they had the desired effect of producing upon the minds of people that things were going to be higher. That made them either satisfied with prices or caused them to rush into the market and buy in large quantities.

Mr. Schmidt says that stories of great rises in price scare housekeepers into ordering large quantities of supplies from the grocer—thus decreasing his stock and causing him to have to order goods at higher prices, created by the greatly increased demand. He cited instances of that very kind, and nine times out of ten householders were influenced by the high price propaganda carried on without cost through the newspapers. We have thrown many such articles in the waste basket, and we now have one from some well known distributors who make statements that are absolutely contradicted by government statistics as to the supply of the commodity in question.

In a recent article it was stated with something of a shriek of despair that the price of onions would go up much beyond the prevailing price. While it did not make much difference to the average housekeeper whether the price of onions doubled, people who rarely ever ate onions before felt impelled to rush around and buy some before the rise. As a matter of course, the demand for onions was increased immensely and the high price trick was turned. The same thing on a large scale was done as to Irish potatoes. High prices seemed to have convinced people that they were neglecting Murphies and must have some at once. Grocers say that people who never bought potatoes before now imagine that they are bound to have them. They caught the potato hysteria. Of course, it is possible that part of the increased demand for potatoes may have been due to the high cost of other commodities, householders shifting more to potatoes with the hope of holding down the average cost of their groceries.

The high cost of living has worked on the nerves of people, and the Federal government and the state governments and even the cities have been appealed to by the people. Mayor Preston, of Baltimore, has fallen for it, and through his lead the city of Baltimore has gone into the potato business under the idea that the poor people must have potatoes. Twenty-eight or thirty big automobile trucks have been sent into about ten counties and big wads of cash are being handed right out of the machines for potatoes, spinach, cabbage, onions, eggs, and all sorts of truck. The stuff is brought in and sold over the curb at cost, even though the prices are so high that nobody but rich people can buy most of the products. Poor people long ago quit buying eggs, potatoes and the like.

All this is the result of hysteria. Buying up potatoes at the present at $2.25 to $2.50 a bushel to be sold at cost won't help the really poor, for it would be the highest priced food they can get, even at the cost prices. Onions are not included among the necessities and neither are eggs. Some people were impelled to imagine that they had to have them.

Mr. Schmidt, the Richmond grocer, says all this sort of buying increases the demand and keeps up prices. He advises the people to buy normally and buy only what they need, using common sense as to what they purchase for the table. He declares that scare stories and rush buying will only raise prices unless housekeepers begin to buy in normal quantities again. We noticed recently that some well known vegetables were selling nearly three times cheaper in a large Northern city than in the South while they ought to be three times cheaper here.

The real meaning of all this is that prices have been put up by manipulators and that people were alarmed into buying. The food monopolists know exactly how to create the state of mind to carry out their object. Even local manipulation has prevailed in some cities, for prices are much lower in some than in others. This is only one phase of the high cost of living. There are at least a dozen others.

A WORLD SCARCITY OF FOODSTUFFS.

The Star has heretofore emphasized the salient points of a remarkable article written upon this subject and the lesson it contains for the South. It was an editorial in the Manufacturers' Record of February 15th, and Mr. B. L. Hamner, general development agent of the Seaboard Air Line, encloses us a copy and urges us to republish it as a great service to the country and especially to the South. Mr. Hamner reminds us that the article is "from the pen of that wizard of figures and forceful expression, Richard H. Edmonds," and we agree with Mr. Hamner that the article from the Record cannot be too seriously impressed upon the minds of the farmers and business men of this section. This is the Edmonds editorial referred to:

"Whether there be war or peace between this country and Germany, whether war be continued in Europe for another year or two, or whether peace should come, the demand for foodstuffs will exceed the supply, both in this country and abroad. The shortage in the world's food crops last year, taken in conunection with conditions created by the war, brings us nearer to a famine situation in foodstuffs than the world has known in this generation. If the crops of this country should, by unfavorable weather conditions or by a lessened acreage, be short of a full average yield, we would have almost famine conditions, because we will go into the next crop practically barren of food supplies.

"Nothing less than a bumper crop of grain will save us from exorbitantly high prices for wheat and corn next winter. It is important that the whole country should understand this situation, but it is doubly important that the farmers of the South should understan it and plant the largest acreage in grain which they have ever had in order to save themselves from having to pay the highest prices they have ever paid for their foodstuffs.

"Every business man in the South should do all in his power to urge upon Southern farmers the planting of grain and the raising of foodstuffs of all kinds this spring and summer.

"It is hardly possible to predict what may happen to cotton. The price judged by the world's demand, ought to be high, but in view of the uncertainties of conditions here and elsewhere, a large cotton crop might prove a misfortune by forcing prices below a fair profit.

"The South might raise too big a cotton crop for its own prosperity, but it cannot raise too big a grain crop nor too much livestock. Every available acre should be put into the raising of foodstuffs, into grain, into vegetables, potatoes, and as much attention as possible should be given to livestock, and even to the raising of chickens and to dairying, for the purpose of meeting the home demand for foodstuffs.

"It will be almost a crime for any Southern farmer not to provide, during the coming spring and summer, for all of the foodstuffs which his family will need for the next twelve months. Anything short of that would be ignoring every condition which this country and the world confronts in the lack of foodstuffs, and in the certainty of high prices. Business men, State governmets and the national government owe it to the farmers and to the welfare of the country to stress these points with all possible emphasis. The South can become independent for foodstuffs by quick and vigorous action this spring and summer by its farmers, and if it fails to do so, it will be drained of hundreds of millions of dollars for high-priced foodstuffs, which should have been raised at home, and there will be poverty in many homes where there should be abundance.

We have always considered it a duty to emphasize just such wisdom as that expressed so strikingly by Mr. Edmonds, and we feel that we have done a duty when we reproduce such a strong appeal as that which he makes to the South. At this time such an appeal ought to be heeded, since food crops promise to be more surely profitable than any other farm production. Cotton and tobacco may be, but food and forage crops are bound to be profitable.

We must admit that we face ominous times, and the man who is heedless of his duty to himself and the country will reproach himself for ignoring such a warning as that sounded by Mr. Edmonds. It is a very serious matter and all of us should recognize the profound truth about it.

ADVERTISING CITIES.

Once more there is a renewal of the desire of cities to advertise themselves. Advertising men galore are again striking Southern cities with advertising propositions and some of them are falling for what is called publicity. Hundreds of thousands of dollars used to be thrown away on such advertising.

What did the cities advertise? What did they have to advertise? Some of them appealed to people as if they were looking for climate and some even printed pictures of the kinds of flowers that could be grown in their section. They must have been trying to attract the attention of some florist.

Advertising in general with no specific idea in view is not the kind of publicity that a city needs. If cities are going to advertise they must have something to advertise. They generally advertise something that nobody wants. They should advertise something that people want—that is if there are any who really want anything at all.

If a city wants its advertising to pay, it should adopt a city plan and advertise it along with the resources upon which industries can flourish. This country's ability to produce raw materials needs to be advertised, but very few ever think of doing it. Until there is systematic study of a city's advantages, resources and opportunities, it has nothing to advertise in a practical way.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Australia has made a record crop of wheat and yet some say she isn't doing her part to preserve the British empire. —Charleston News-Courier. Australia, along with the rest of the English colonies, is doing and has done her part towards preserving the British empire, but wheat in Australia, in these days when ocean tonnage is scarce and constanly becoming scarcer is not wheat in Great Britain. The people of the United Kingdom and the British armies in the field can't live on food several thousand miles away.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

The Republicans in the Senate have put themselves in the last few days in a very discreditable, if not suspicious, attitude. Their filibuster against the revenue bill was clearly inspired on one of two courses, perhaps by both; either their objection to certain of its provisions, such as the excess profits tax, or a desire to force an extra session, at which the Republicans might be in a better position to dictate on this and other subjects. That they have agreed to discontinue the filibuster and take a vote on the revenue bill Wednesday evening seems due to the charge made against them in the course of the debate that they were working in the interest of the munition makers and other manufacturers, or business enterprises, which would be principally affected by this tax. There may be honest differences of opinion as to the wisdom of this provision and as to the difficulties connected with its practical anti equitable application, but the fact remains that the Republicans have proposed nothing else in its place which offers a reasonable prospect of supplying the needed revenue, and which would not bear too heavily upon the masses of the people, who are already taxed severely by the high cost of living.—Baltimore Sun.

Five hundred women surrounded the city hall in New York crying "Bread, Bready." Now if it be the duty of the nation to make prosperity is it not plain that the nation has failed in its duty? Agriculture has been taxed under the Republican regime to promote the prosperity of the factories and cities; what next?—Jacksonville Times-Union.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record in the office of the Register of Deeds: J. A. Schroader and wife to George B. Applewhite, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the north side of Queen street, 41 feet west of 14th, 41 1-4 by 100 feet in size; W. R. Bordeaux and wife to John C. Hayes, for $100 and other considerations, tract of land in Masonboro township containing ten acres; American Bank & Trust Company to J. A. Schroeder and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the east side of Third street, 58 feet north of Meares, 60 by 99 feet in size; J. Albert Schroeder and wife to American Bank & Trust Company, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the south side of Dawson street, 64 feet west of Ninth; E. T. Burton, trustee, to American Bank & Trust Company, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the east side of Third street, 58 feet north of Meares, 60 by 99 feet in size; Manhattan Company to H. L. Bell, J. M. Bremer and W. P. Applewhite, for $10 and other considerations, lot at Fernside; G. B. Applewhite to W. P. Applewhite, H. L. Bell and J. M. Bremer, for $100 and other considerations, lot on the east side of Jasmine avenue, 132 feet south of Orange.

WINTER PARK SCHOOL WON.

Downed Masonboro in Basketball Game Yesterday Afternoon.

In a snappy though one sided basketball game at Winter Park yesterday afternoon the Winter Park School won from the Masonboro school by a score of 22 to 4. The losers were blanked in the first half and were able to put over but two baskets in the closing session. Each team was penalized once for fouls but each time their opponents missed the goal. Houser played a good game on the defensive. Referee Orrell's work met with the general approval of both teams.

The line up:—Winter Park, Lowrimore and Maultsby, forwards; Montgomery, (captain) centre; Hobbs and Houser, guards; Masonboro, Hewlett and Garrell, forwards, Herring (captain) centre; Datts and Farrar, guards. Scoring, Hobbs, 3 goals, Montgomery 3, Maultsby 4; Lowrimore 1; Herring 1; Farrar 1. Referee and timekeeper, Orrell. Time of halves 20 minutes.

FUNERAL OF EX-SHERIFF WALKER

Remains of Former Brunswick Official Laid to Rest Yesterday

Funeral services over the remains of former Sheriff D. R. Walker, of Brunswock county, who died at his home at Town Creek Monday night, were held from Zion Methodist church near Town Creek at 11 o'clock yesterday morning in the presence of a large number of friends and relatives. The services were conducted by by Rev. E. W. Glass, assisted by Rev. C. P. Snow.

Interment was made in the family plot in the church cemetery. The many beautiful floral tributes that were received were evidence of the great respect and esteem in which Mr. Walker was held by the people of his native county. The following acted as pallbearers: Messrs. J. W. Brooks, I. C. Lofton, J. J. Knox, O. A. Durant, H. M. McKeithan, J. Johnston.

Don't fail to attend the auction sale at 17th and Orange Friday at 3:30.
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CITY COUNCIL WANTS DEFENSES PROVIDED

Defenseless Condition of Wilmington is Pointed Out

Mr. M. B. Murphy Makes Complaint Against "Abuse" of Policeman Leon George—Shriners Want to Have Gala Week.

The defenseless condition of Wilmington in the event of war, which has been the subject of considerable discussion in recent months, was taken up by City Council at its regular weekly meeting yesterday and upon motion of Councilman McCaig, the City Clerk and Treasurer was directed to write Congressman Godwin and Senators Simmons and Overman calling attention to this condition and asking that this city be taken into consideration in any defense measures that may be adopted.

It was particularly pointed out that a battery of guns should be located near Wrightsville Sound, as it is a fact that battleships could stand off the beach at that point and shell Wilmington without difficulty. However, those acquainted with fighting conditions state that guns and fortifications are usually established at points where landings may be easily effected and that other portions of the coast must rely upon the navy more especially for defense.

The Wilmington Engineering department is the proper channel through which to take up the proposition, Councilman Merritt thought, but Councilman McCaig said that it would be refered to this department for investigation in any event and felt that it should be called to the attention of Congress immediately. He considered that Council is directly concerned with the welfare of the city and that it was the duty of the councilmen to take the initial step towards securing adequate defenses or at least to have such investigations made as may be necessary.

Councilman Bunting called attention to the fact that battery of five guns was formerly stationed near Wrightsville sound upon the old State drill grounds for the Coast Artillery Corps.

Complaint against what he termed abusive language by Policeman Leon George was made by Mr. M. B. Murphy, an employe of the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line, who lives at No. 515 Market street. The trouble occurred on the night of February 20th when Mr. Murphy stated that after having spent a few minutes talking to some women on North Front street, he had later returned in his automobile to Front and Grace streets.

Officer George had told a negro driver to move on with a machine and upon his having made a remark, Mr. Murphy stated that the policeman turned to him and began abusing him, using language which he considered was humiliating. He had told the officer, he said, that if he had done anything to be arrested for, he would go with him to the police station but he objected to being abused. The officer had also talked loudly, he stated, and quite a crowd had collected around him as a result. Mr. Murphy stated that he is a working man, has lived in Wilmington for six years and could furnish the best of references as to his character.

Councilman Hall thought that Mr. Murphy had simply interfered with the officer in his efforts to discharge his duty and that the latter had "called his hand."

Councilman McCaig felt that the only thing that could be done was to appoint a committee to make an investigation and upon his motion, seconded by Councilman Jones, a committee was named composed of Councilmen Hall, Bradshaw and Bunting. This committee will have a hearing later in the week.

In attempting to clear himself of liability for paying a dealers' tax, Mr. B. C. Justice, representing a Chicago tea house; unwittingly made out a good case whereby he would be liable for peddler's tax, which is much heavier than for a dealer. Mr. Justice explained that he took orders for tea which was delivered after an interval of two weeks. Upon delivering the tea he took further orders for future delivery. He did not feel that he was liable for tax because he did not have an office in the city. Capt. Thos. D. Meares, city clerk and treasurer, stated that in that event he would be liable for a peddler's license.

Councilman McCaig thought that in trying to save himself from paying taxes, Mr. Justice had made himself liable for a heavier tax. Replying to questions from Councilman McCaig, Mr. Justice stated that he kept his books at his home and that he kept his merchandise in a warehouse in Wilmington. It was suggested that he pay a dealers' tax under protest and that the city attorney be asked to make a ruling on the subject.

Permission to use the Academy of Music for a "gala week" beginning April 9th for the benefit of the Sudan Shrine club and the Wilmington Drum Corps was asked by a delegation composed of Messrs. W. R. Dosher, C. C. Pinckney and John S. McEachern. As there are some hindrances in the way of taxes, it was suggested that they make an investigation of this and appear before Council at its next meeting.

All the members of Council were present at the meeting, which was presided over by Councilman Merritt, mayor pro tem, in the absence of Mayor Moore.

WITH THE POLICE

What the Department of Public Safety Did During the Day

In response to a telegram received yesterday morning from Deputy Sheriff J. H. Yates, of Chadbourn, the local police are endeavoring to locate Jim Dinks alias Jim Johnston, and Dan Gauness, two Wilmington negroes, who are wanted in the Columbus town.

George Johnston, colored, was arrested shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon by Call Officer J. J. Moore at the store of the Crescent Candy Company, charged with stealing a box of cigars. It is alleged that he entered the store and attempted to make off with a bix of smokers.

Only One "BROMO QUININE"

To get the genuine, call for full name LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE. Look for signature of E. W. GROVE. Cures a Cold in One Day. 25c.

SEEK TO CO-ORDINATE WORK MORE CLOSELY

Would Have All Dispensary Work of County Done at Hospital

Suggested That Milk Station Should Also Be Moved to New Children's Hospital—Committee Appointed to Work Out the Plans.

By combining the dispensary work of the county health department with that of the dispensary of the James Walker Memorial hospital and removing the milk station to the new children's department of the institution, it is believed that its efficiency can be improved and at the same time will prevent duplication of effort.

To prepare a workable basis by which these results can be accomplished, a committee composed of Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, county health officer, and Dr. B. A. Doggett, superintendent of the hospital, was appointed at a special meeting of the Board of Health yesterday afternoon. This committee will submit a report at the next regular meeting of the Board of Health.

The meeting of the Board of Health was called at the request of the executive committee of the board of managrs of the hospital, which is composed of Dr. George G. Thomas, George B. Elliott, Esq., and Mr. W. H. Sprunt, for the purpose of discussing ways and means of making the hospital of more real service to the dommurity. All members of the Board of Health were present except Mayor Moore, who is out of the citp. Dr. Thomas was also prevented from attending because of absence from the city.

"We want to show a desire to serve our community and to this end we have come before you to see if we can't get closer together," said Mr. W. H. Sprunt, after Dr. Nesbitt had talked informally of the work of the hospital. He had been glad to note from Dr. Nesbitt's report that progress was being made.

While it was true that some patients gets in the charity wards, who can afford to pay, said Mr. Sprunt, he was glad to say that not a single charity patient has ever been turned away. He felt that the institution must seek to make itself chiefly useful to the people of moderate means the rich can afford to pay for medical service and provision has been made for treating the very poor. He was gratified to know that the number of pay patients is increasing, showing that the people of other places are realizing the value of the institution.

Endorsing in the strongest terms the words of Mr. Sprunt, it was pointed out by Mr. Elliott that it is the desire of the board of managers, for whom he was speaking, that so far as possible there shall be absolute co-operation between this body and the Board of Health.

"Our aims and our purposes are the same," Mr. Elliott explained. "The Board of Health is charged with the preservation of the health of the community and the hospital is one of the most important agencies to this end. I have been gratified to see the feeling of co-operation growing. We want to do all we can to make your work efficient and we feel sure that you are deeply interested in the hospital and its welfare because it is a part of the work committed to your charge."

The hospital has continued to grow in size and with the completion of the Marion Sprunt Memorial building, which will be used exclusively for the treatment of children and maternity cases, its facilities will be greatly increased, Mr. Elliott pointed out. A new laundry and a new steam heating plant and other additions to its equipment have also recently been made.

"We want the public to understand that it is their institution and that we are their servants," he declared. In order that its work shall be the most efficient there should be no duplication of efforts.

It had occurred to him and other members of the board of managers, said Mr. Elliott, that there are two ways in which work is being duplicated. In the first place the Health Department is operating a dispensary, which, according to Dr. Nesbitt's report, treated 650 patients last year. The hospital is also maintaining a dispensary, which the board of managers would be glad to place at the disposal of the Health Department. The hospital could furnish the staff for maintaining the dispensary. This would also afford a convenient means of determining whether or not patients should be placed in the charity wards for further treatment.

Dr. Doggett explained that most of the cases that came to the hospital dispensary are for surgical treatment, while he understood that practically all those treated by the Health Department are medical cases. To send all the cases to the hospital would necessarily mean an increase in the staff of physicians.

Dr. Nesbitt declared that there has been a serious duplication of effort and he felt that no workable basis could be arrived at except through some sort of plan, such as had been suggested by Mr. Elliott. Moving the clinics to the hospital, he thought, is the only logical thing. He felt that this would prove a means of reducing the number of charity patients also because then it would be possible to have physicians, who are independent of any political influence, pass upon the condition of those seeking admission.

Dr. E. J. Wood, who arrived after most of the discussions was concluded, declared that the only way that patients should be admitted into the charity wards is through the dispensary. Through that means their condition can be definitely determined.

Mr. Elliott pointed out that upon the opening of the Marion Sprunt Memorial building, it would be necessary to have its equipment for preparing milk for children. By combining the present milk station with that of the hospital, he believed that both purposes would be served more efficiently. He spoke in the highest terms of the admirable work that North Carolina Sorosis has done in establishing this milk station and explained that it would still be the Sorosis milk station under the new management.

Dr. Nesbitt declared that the milk station is a very beneficient institution. He reviewed the history of the work, inaugurated last summer at the instance of Sorosis, and explained the reasons why the Health Department did not feel it could undertake the work this winter. The Board of Health took no action on this latter proposition but Mr. Elliott felt sure the ladies of Sorosis would be glad to co-operate.

After considerable discussion of ways and means of improving the work at the hospital, it was decided to leave the suggestions for a closer co-operation to Dr. Nesbitt, representing the Board of Health, and Dr. B. A. Doggett, representing the board of managers of the hospital.

Go to the combination auction sale Friday. Free automobiles start James & James' office 10 A. M. fe 28-3t

PUBLIC DEFENDER IS PROPOSED FOR COUNTY

Senator Cranmer and Representative Grant Considering Bill

Makes It Duty of Recorder or Magistrate to Provide Counsel for Those Unable to Employ Lawyer. Would Carry Salary.

Senator Cranmer and Representative Grant, it is understood, have under consideration a bill, creating the office of Public Defender of New Hanover county. In substance, the bill makes it the duty of the Recorder, and any justice of the peace of the county or presiding officer of any criminal court, inferior to the Superior court, to ascertain whether defendants brought before them, without counsel, are unable by reason of poverty to employ counsel, such conclusion to be reached upon oath or affirmation of such defendants.

Upon finding that any defendant is in need of counsel and unable to employ an attorney, the court will certify that fact, giving name of defendant, crime charged and time and place of trial to the Public Defender, who, upon receipt of such certificate, must appear for defendant and render such legal assistance as justice and the case may warrant.

The Public Defender will receive a salary of not less than $50 and not more than $100 a month to be fixed by county commissioners and paid out of the general county fund. The act makes it a felony for the Public Defender to receive any compensation other than salary, and he is forbidden to appear in the criminal courts in any criminal matter, except in cases where certificate is furnished by the court.

In case of vacancy in office, the county commissioners are empowered to appoint. Violation of provisions of act by Public Defender constitutes a felony and removal from office.

The Senator and Representative would be glad to have an expression from any citizen as to advisability of passing such a measure, it is stated.

WILL MAKE BIG DRIVE ON CUSTOM HOUSE WORK SOON.

Lack of Cars Sauses Slight Delay in Work But Will Soon be Remedied.

Preparations are being made for a big spring drive toward completing the new customs house on Water street, according to a statement made by Mr. Mason Garber, engineer in charge, last night. Additional laborers are arriving and with an enlarged force of workmen available, the work will be pushed forwrd rapidly.

One detachment of the recruits has already arrived in the city and more are expected during the week. However, the work has been slightly delayed by a lack of brick, which forced the newly arrived workmen to take a brief spell of enforced idleness.

Additional material has been ordered but is being held up to some extent by a lack of freight cars with which to haul it. However, it is expected that this situation will be relieved in a few days and the delay will not be of sufficient scope or duration to be appreciable.

FUNERAL OF MRS. RUSSELL.

Body of Former Wilmington Woman Laid Away at Oakdale.

Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Roberta L. Russell, wife of the late Dr. Frank H. Russell, of this city, who ended her own life near Westbrook Sanitarium in Richmond, Va., Monday night, were conducted from the lodge at Oakdale cemetery shortly after the arrival of the train from the North yesterday morning, by Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church.

The following acted as pall-bearers: Col. Walker Taylor, Messrs. J. D. Bellamy, Jr., W. B. Cooper, E. T. Taylor, Hargrove Taylor and J. H. Rehder.

There were many beautiful floral tributes attesting the high esteem in which the deceased was held by a wide circle of friends.

COTTON ADVANCES TO 17 1-4

Quotation on the Wilmington Market Yesterday Highest It Had Been For Several Weeks.

There was a marked upward trend in cotton on the Wilmington market yesterday and the quotation soared to 17 1-4 cents, the highest price offered here for several weeks. Yesterday's advance occurred notwithstanding the fact that on the New York and New Orleans markets there was considerable unsettlement because of the nervousness over the international situation, which led to minor declines.

Shipments to this port this season are something like 70,000 bales less than had been received up to March 1st last year, according to the record of receipts kept at the Chamber of Commerce. Only 36 bales were received here yesterday, making a total for the season of 77,332 as compared with 149,567 for the same date last season. On March 1st, last year the quotation was 11 cents.

Exports for the present are at a standstill, it having been three months since the last steamer cleared this port with a cargo for trans-Atlantic destination.

—Rev. J. S. Crowley will conduct services at Topsail Presbyterian church next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. At the evening service the yearly report of the church, which is now ready, will be read.

GOV. HANLY SCORED FEDERAL BOOZE LAWS

Says They are an Infringement of State's Rights

Former Indiana Chief Executive Made Splendid Address at Academy of Music Last Night in Interests of Prohibition.

That the infringement on the sovereign rights of states by the Federal liquor laws is the basic underlying issue of paramount importance in the present prohibition question, is the opinion of former Governor J. Frank Hanly, of Indiana, who spoke to a large and enthusiastic audience at the Academy of Music last night at a civic mass meeting in the interest of national prohibition.

For an hour and a half the former chief executive of Indiana told of the evil of the liquor demon, told of how it had dissolved the government of cities, and arraigned the Federal government at Washington for a goodly share of the blame. The meeting was presided over by Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, and the speaker of the evening was introduced by L. C. Wright, Esq., of the local bar, in a few well chosen words.

The invocation was offered by Rev. Dr. William H. Milton, rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, while Rev. Dr John Jeter Hurt, pastor of the First Baptist church, pronounced the benediction. Others seated on the stage included many of the leading ministers and anti-saloon league workers together with representatives from several women's societies.

Mr. Hanly departed from the time honored custom of prohibition orators in telling of the dire effects of old Kink Booze, and for the most part confined himself to an able and learned discussion of the underlying causes of these evils gained first hand as a member of Congress, as governor of Indiana, and as a member of the Flying Squadron, a corporation organized to combat the liquor traffic. Mr. Hanly said in substance:

"Those who permitted slavery to become constitutional sowed the wind, and their children reaped the whirlwind during the four years of the civil war. Reaped it on the shell shocked hills of Gettysburg for three bloody days; reaped it in the blood stained woods of Chickamauga; reaped it with 500,000 new made graves, and in an expenditure of thousands and thousands of dollars.

"In the same way those who permitted the liquor traffic to become constitutional sowed the wind, and we, their children, are today reaping the whirlwind. Reaping it with 450,000 men and women who have fallen under its spell; reaping it with 350,000 insane persons as one of its results; reaping it with 50,000 feeble minded children, robbed of their rightful heritage at the moment of their conception, and disinherited before their birth.

"Our forefathers wrested from England nearly the whole of a continent, that the sovereignty of States' right might live. Washington refused a crown and a kingdom that it might live; the soldiers of the Revolution purchased it with their blood at Saratoga and on other battlefields.

"It is the inherent right of the states that they shall have the privilege of ruling out the liquor evil, yet the Federal government infringes upon the soverign rights of the states in permitting the liquor to be hauled into them in defiance of their laws. This is the greatest basic underlying issue of the prohibition question.

"There is not a city of importance in the nation, in which I have not been and with whose people I have not talked. Fifty one men in Chicago are under indictment, including the chief of police, for misdemeanors in office paid for by the liquor interests.

"I have seen municipal governments not only on the point of dissolution as result of whiskey, but actually dissolved. There is in my own State of Indiana a city of less than 70,000 souls. The mayor, the municipal judge and others are in Leavenworth behind prison walls as a result of the work of the liquor interests.

"A few years ago we fought with the laws of the Federal government against us. Today they are beginning to turn in our favor. I hope to see the present Congress before it adjourns make the postal appropriation bill a permanent law.

"When a peasant born in a land where freedom is not yet, comes to this the land of his dream and lands at either New York, Baltimore, Boston or Philadelphia the first door that opens to him is the swinging door of the American saloon, and the first hand that is extended to him is the hand of its keeper."

At the conclusion of his address proper, Mr. Hanly made an appeal for funds with which to carry on the work of the Flying Squadron. Envelopes were passed among the audience for all who desired to do so to pledge something toward its support, and many responded.

Mr. Hanly made a fine impression in Wilmington, and incidentally mentioned that he has North Carolina blood in his veins, his motner being a native of the Tar Heel state. He said that on this visit he could say and do something that he could not do when he was here before two years ago, and that was to bring greetings from dry Indiana to dry North Carolina.

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH

How To Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.

Count fifty! Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffling, hawking, mucous discharge, dryness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant antiseptic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable. Relief is sure.

March 1st and 2nd

Deposits made with us on or before the above dates draw interest from March 1st, and will receive credit for Four months interest on July 1st.

Make an effort to lay aside something now. It is a good time to begin.

OLD AND STRONG.

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

COR. FRONT AND PRINCESS STS.

MARCH 1st-2nd

Our 120th Interest Quarter will begin on March 1st. Deposits made on or before March 2nd will receive interest in **Three Months**—at our June 1st Quarter.

You are invited to open a new account at this time, or add to your present balance. $1.00 starts an account. Deposits of $5.00 and upwards draw interest at rate of 4 per cent per annum, compounded quarterly.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

110 PRINCESS STREET

RETURN ORNAMENTS TO CITY

Men Charged With Stealing Statuettes From Pembroke Jones Estate Will be Tried Friday

Cornelius Lofton, Monk Moore and Simon Galloway, three negroes, charged with stealing ornaments from the grounds of Airlie, the New Hanover estate of Mr. Pembroke Jones, and H. Stein, white, a Second street junk dealer, to whom the stolen goods were sold, will be tried in the Recorder's court Friday morning. The three negroes are charged with stealing the stuff while Stein is under indictment for receiving stolen goods, knowing them to them to have been stolen.

Lofton will be represented by George L. Peschau, Esq., and Walter P. Gafford, Esq., while Woodus Kellum, Esq., will look after the interests of Stein and Galloway. It is understood that Rountree & Carr will assist Solicitor E. T. Burton in prosecuting the case. So far as known Moore has retained no counsel.

The stolen ornaments were returned from Philadelphia where they had been shipped by Stein and reached Wilmington yesterday morning. While damaged and broken up to such an extent that they will be of no use of their owner, they are still in such shape that they can be used as evidence against the defendants.

After removing the stolen property from Airlie, it is alleged that the thieves took it to Stein's place on Second street, and disposed of it. It is further alleged that Stein broke up the statuettes and shipped them to a concern in Philadelphia.

Local officers working on the case while conducting their investigation around the railroad offices learned that the stolen goods were shipped to Philadelphia and secured the name of the consignee in the Quaker city.

Telegraphic communication with Philadelphia warned the company to whom the goods were consigned that they were stolen and asked their immediate return to Wilmington. This request was complied with and they arrived here yesterday morning.

The three negro defendants have been arrested and are held in jail awaiting trial. Lofton has for years been an employe on the Jones estate.

Williams-Oliver Sanitarium.

A QUIET, congenial, home-like institution, specializing in the treatment of **Mild Mental and Nervous Disorders, Drug and Alcoholic Addictions.** More than twenty years of success—thousands of successful treatments to its credit. Operated under the direct supervision of B. B. Williams, M.D., formerly of B. B. Williams Private Sanitarium, Greensboro, N. C., and A. S. Oliver, M. D., formerly Superintendent of Bloomsbury Sanitarium, Raleigh, N. C., and a competent Staff of Consulting specialists. Modern building, ideally located and appetizing cuisine, enables one to rest and recuperate amid pleasurroundings. Separate Department for ladies—with experienced lady attendents and absolute privacy assured. Write for full information and rates. All correspondence strictly confidential.

The Williams-Oliver Sanitarium, Greensboro, N. C.

EXTRA PAIR OF TROUSERS FREE

Every man's suit purchased here during the remainder of this week. This is an opportunity that comes only once in a great while. Every suit we are now showing are medium weight Worsteds, Serges and Cassimeres, some of them the advance spring styles that have been received within the last week. Suits are already priced much below what you would have to pay elsewhere, but just for this week we make this special offer with **$9.95** suits we will give absolutely free a pair of extra pants worth **$2.00.**

With $13.75 Suit pair Extra Pants worth..**$2.50**

With $15.00 Suit, pair of Extra Pants worth..**$3.00**

With $17.00 Suit, pair of Extra Pants worth..**$3.50**

Take advantage of this extra special offer and form the habit of "Get it at Belks."

Belk-Williams Company

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Miss Fannie Hall, of Winter Park, is visiting her brother, Mr. C. G. Hall, of Raleigh.

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Mrs. D. C. Fennell, of Kerr, N. C., was an arrival yesterday morning for a few days' visit with relatives and friends in the city.

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The Mission Study class of Winter Park Presbyterian church will meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock at the residence of Mrs. Linwood D. Latta.

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There will be a meeting of the Hospital Circle of King's Daughters and Sons at 11 o'clock this morning at No. 121 South Fifth Street.

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The Dorcas Society will meet this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Luther Memorial hall. The meeting will be followed by the week of prayer services.

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The Ladies Auxiliary of Fifth Avenue Methodist church will meet this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the church parlors. All the women of the congregation are invited to attend.

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Mrs. A. L. Meyland and her brother, Mr. J. W. Hall, Jr., left last night for Philadelphia to accompany their sister, Miss Reston Hall, who will undergo an operation in a hospital in that city.

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North Carolina Sorosis will hold an important business meeting at 4 o'clock this afternoon. The executive committee will meet at 3:45 o'clock. A full attendance is desired.

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Yesterday's Fayetteville Observer: "Mrs. E. L. Pemberton left this morning for Wilmington, where she will be the guest of her cousin, Mr. James Sprunt."

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The Ladies Auxiliary of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church will meet at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon in the lecture room of the church. All ladies of the church are invited to attend.

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Friends and relatives of Mrs. J. N. Valentine, No. 417 Red Cross street, who recently underwent an operation at the James Walker Memorial Hospital, will be glad to learn that she is rapidly improving.

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INEZ SILVERBERG IS NIECE OF WILMINGTON WOMAN

Little Miss Inez Harriet Silverberg, the girl whom Major General Frederick Funston held in his arms just the moment before he was fatally stricken in the hotel at San Antonio, Tex., last week, is niece of Mrs. Samuel Bear, Jr., of this city, and with her mother, Mrs. Minor Silverberg, of Ohio, has often visited in Wilmington. The little girl is said to be greatly shocked over the death of the general.

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MRS. O. I. FLOYD ENTERTAINS THE LANIER BOOK CLUB

Fairmont, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Lanier Book Club held its regular meeting on Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 and was delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. O. I. Floyd, which was artistically decorated with potted plants, hyacinths and yellow daffodils, with maiden hair fern. The guests were met at the door by Mrs. G. W. Thompson and ushered into the parlor.

Once a month the club makes a study of home economics. This was the subject for study at the meeting this week, and an interesting programme was carried out. Several very interesting papers were read by different members, followed by a round table discussion on the subject. "Somewhere a Voice is Calling" was sweetly sung by Mrs. C. Baker.

A sketch of the life of George Washington was impressively given by Miss Mamie Holloway. The patriotic idea was carried out through the remainder of the afternoon. Little Virginia Floyd and Margaret Thompson came in, giving to each guest a napkin in stars and stripes. Delicious marshmallow cream with cherries and cake then was served. As a souvenir each guest was presented with a twig from the cherry tree, hanging with the dainty fruit.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. George P. Clark, of Clarkton, was in the city yesterday.

—Friends of Fire Chief Charles Schnibben will be glad to learn that he has recovered from an attack of pleurisy which kept him indoors for a week and that he was able to be out again yesterday.

GUARANTEED TO MAKE GRAY HAIR NATURAL COLOR

Q-Ban is Simple, Healthful Preparation—Satisfaction or Money Back—Don't Use Dyes.

It is not necessary, not even wise, to have gray hair nowadays. But don't use dangerous, dirty, sticky dyes. "Turn Back to Nature."

Restore the uniform color of your hair with the aid of Q-Ban Hair Color Restorer. Thousands have done so and are proud of the result. Years of study by expert chemists resulted in Q-Ban, the one preparation that actually works hand in hand with Nature in banishing gray hair in a healthful way.

You simply apply Q-Ban like a shampoo, and your hair will resume a natural color, evenly, gradually, safely and surely. Your hair will become soft, glossy, abundant and beautiful. You will look so young you will be delighted. But beware of imitations as you would of dyes. There is nothing like Q-Ban.

Q-Ban is all ready to use—is guaranteed to be harmless, and is sold under the makers' money-back guarantee if not satisfied. It is the only preparation for the purpose so guaranteed. At Green's Drug Store, 109 Market street. 50c a large bottle, or write direct to Hessig-Ellis Drug Co., Memphis, Tenn. "Hair Culture," an illustrated, interesting book of lectures, sent free.

Try Q-Ban Superfine Hair Tonic; Q-Ban Liquid Shampoo; Q-Ban Toilet Soap; Q-Ban Depilatory for removing superfluous hair.

ARE READY TO ANSWER THEIR COUNTRY'S CALL

Meeting of the National Special Aid Society Yesterday

One Thousand Wilmington Women Have Offered Themselves for Special Service—Fine Record of Sunset Park Community.

Oh, say can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight,
O'er the ramparts we watched, were so gallantly streaming?
And the rocket's red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there.
Oh, say does that Star Spangled Banner yet wave,
O'er the Land of the Free and the Home of the Brave.

One hundred and fifty representative women of Wilmington gathered at the High School building yesterday afternoon to discuss ways and means of supporting their country in war or in peace. Included in this number were many members of the American Red Cross Society and all were members of the Wilington branch of the National Special Aid Society, this being the regular meeting of this organization.

Mrs. A. M. Waddell told of the splendid industrial organization that has been formed, stating that it has been practically completed and that a civic register of volunteer female service would be prepared immediately.

The report of the publicity committee showed that there are now enlisted in the ranks of the National Special Aid Society 1,066 women, who have offered their services for their country's welfare. Among this number are to be found 46 first aiders, 68 experienced nurses, 97 surgical dressing workers, 103 cooks, 181 seamstresses and a number of other workers.

The city has been divided into districts, each comprising about four blocks and these in turn have been formed into sections, each of which contains six districts. From the register it will be possible to tell just how many units of any desired occupation may be had in any district. In every unit there is someone in charge, who is responsible for the other members. All of these units of each department are organized under the direction of one person.

The report of the Sunset Park community was received with great enthusiasm as it showed that every woman with the single exception of one invalid has become a part of this enterprise and while offering their services in a variety of ways, they have decided in addition to form an agricultural branch. This will be useful in time of war and would be very helpful in building up the artistic aspect of that community in times of peace.

Archdeacon Thos. P. Noe spoke in behalf of the Red Cross and expressed his profound appreciation of the splendid work of the National Special Aid.

Miss Eliza Meares, a member of the publicity committee, spoke of the far-reach effects of the military training camp at Plattsburg last summer.

Mrs. Waddell made an earnest appeal that each member would learn the first stanza of the Star Spangled Banner and it was voted to request the local press to publish this in bold type in order that it might be cut out and brought to the mass meeting Friday night.

The meeting adjourned to attend the first aid lectures. Dr. Codington had a very large audience and spoke on burns. Dr. Bowdoin began a new class of first aid with an enrollment of 52 women.

It was announced at this meeting that Dr. Hunt and Dr. Tankersley would have lectures this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the High School.

ANOTHER JOY RIDE PRANK

This Time the Car Didn't Get Very Far Before Being Deserted.

Another automobile fell victim to the pranks of joy riders last night when some one took the Saxon runabout belonging to Mr. J. B. Huntington from its customary parking place in front of the Y. M. C. A. building, and smashed it into a water hydrant near the Colonial Inn less than a hundred yards away.

It is supposed that this trick was played about 9:30 o'clock. Mr. Huntington and others discovered the car about 10 o'clock where it had collided with the water hydrant. Beyond a smashed running board the car was not greatly damaged.

LOCAL DOTS

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: A. C. Johnson, Monroe; B. Wyche, Charlotte; J. H. Jackson, Sr., Clinton.

Mr. W. G. Reaves is critically ill at the Tankersley Sanitarium. His daughter, Mrs. Conrad Stonebank, of Raleigh, and his son, Mr. John S. Reaves, of Jacksonville, Fla., have been summoned to his bedside.

—Suit was instituted in Superior court yesterday by Jacob R. Hill, who is suing for himself and the heirs of Allen Hill against E. S. Waddell. The plaintiff is represented by B. G. Empie, Esq., but has filed no complaint.

—New fire alarm boxes have been installed by City Electrician G. T. Williamson at Seventh and Nixon, which will be known as box 115, and at Fourth and Castle streets, which will be known as box 63. They were tested out yesterday.

The W. H. Yopp property at the Market House Friday at auction at 10 A. M., subdivided. Also 1308 Market, to the high dollar. fe28-3t

RESIGNS AS FOOD INSPECTOR

Mr. H. R. Aiken Leaves Today to Accept Position With United States Public Health Service.

Mr. H. R. Aiken, a former newspaper man and for the last 20 months food inspector for the city of Wilmington, has resigned his position and leaves today for Spartanburg, S. C., where he will become one of the technical assistants in the investigations of the Pellegra Commission of the United States Public Health Service. Mr. Aiken's new position comes in the nature of a promotion and, while his hosts of friends will regret that it is to take him away from Wilmington, they will be delighted to know that he has been called to a larger field of work.

Mr. Aikens resignation was submitted to the Board of Health at a special meeting yesterday afternoon and was accepted with regret. Each member of the Board extended felicitations and hearty congratulations to Mr. Aiken, assuring him of their best wishes. Dr. Chas. T. Nesbitt, county health officer, declared that Mr. Aiken's services as food inspector have been highly satisfactory and have provided him with most excellent training for a broader field and larger opportunities.

Chairman W. A. McGirt read Mr. Aiken's letter of resignation as follows:

"The Board of Health,

"Wilmington and New Hanover County,

"Gentlemen:—Having been appointed to a position in the U. S. Public Health Service, I desire herewith to present my resignation as food inspector and clerk to the Board of Health, effective March 1, 1917. In severing my relation with the Board of Health, I desire to express my thanks and appreciation for the confidence and consideration the Board has always given me and to express the hope that my work in my new field will reflect the quality of training and experience I have received under the jurisdiction of your honorable body."

The Pellagra Commission, under whose jurisdiction Mr. Aiken will work in the future, is now engaged in collecting very extensive statistics regarding food conditions in the South and their relation to pellagra, the incidence of the disease and the economic conditions and mode of living of the people who have contracted the malady. Its work is directed by Dr. Goldberger, whose extensive research work is known all over the world.

Mr. Aiken will be stationed for the next few months at Spartanburg, S. C., but later will assist in investigations elsewhere. It is not improbable that he may later be assigned to Wilmington again as Dr. Goldberger has visited this city and has had this section in mind for conducting investigations and research work.

Dr. Nesbitt suggested that, as much of Mr. Aiken's work during the past two years has been largely devoted to sanitary inspection, this feature has advanced to a point where it can now be turned over to the sanitary police and he recommended that this be done.

He suggested that the inspection of foods be placed in charge of Dr. T. B. Carroll, meat and milk inspector, and that he be given an increase of salary. He is receiving $1,000 for devoting a part of time to this work and has expressed his willingness to give still more of his time provided his salary is increased to $1,800. Dr. Carroll has already had fine training in food inspection work and could render most efficient service.

Dr. J. C. Wessell thought Dr. Carroll a most admirable man for the place, but felt the Board had better wait until its regular meeting to make the appointment. There was the question of employing a city and county physician for his entire time without exceeding the appropriation already made and this would have to be taken into consideration, he thought. Upon his motion, seconded by Prof. Catlett, the appointment of a successor to Mr. Aiken went over to the next meeting.

Miss Ruby Duncan, stenographer and clerk in the Health Department, was appointed as temporary clerk to the Board of Health, pending a definite decision as to future plans.

"THE AFFINITIES" WILL BE PRESENTED HERE AFTER EASTER.

Benefit of The United Confeate Veterans—Written by Local Talent.

Wilmington people will learn with keen interest that Misses Bessie and Florence Burkheimer will present in this city shortly after Easter, "The Affinities," one of their delightful musical comedies. The play will be given under the auspices of the local camp of the United Confederate Veterans and the receipts will be used toward defraying the expenses of the old soldiers to the annual reunion in Washington.

The Misses Burkheimer need no introduction to the people of Wilmington, as many will remember "The Girl Who Dared," another play from the pens of these North Carolina playwrights, which was presented here several years ago and which proved a financial and artistic success.

Wherever it has been presented "The Affinities" has been considered the Misses Burkheimer's best play. It has a clever plot and delightful dances and choruses including those by debutantes, western girls, cowboys, Century girls, blue birds, wood nymphs, sweethearts, Hawaiian dancers and suffragettes.

The music is from the latest New York comedies. Rehearsals will begin in about 10 days and Wilmington's best musical and dramatic talent will be invited to participate. The Veterans earnestly request the hearty co-operation of the Daughters of the Confederacy and all citizens in helping them to make this play a success from every standpoint.

TWO SUDDEN DEATHS.

Coroner Holden Held Inquest Over Two Negroes Who Fell Dead.

Coroner A. S. Holden was called on Wednesday and Tuesday to hold inquests over two colored persons who had died suddenly. His examinations showed that death had resulted from natural causes in both cases. One of them, Dummy Dudley, who has been employed at the Hilton Lumber Company plant at Hilton for the past 35 years, dropped dead at noon Tuesday.

The other death was that of Nonia Nixon, wife of a Seaboard Air Line porter, who was suddenly stricken while at work in the yard at her residence, No 904 Cleveland alley, at noon Tuesday. She died shortly after being removed to the house, and death was attributed to heart failure.

COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN MEET

Heads of Various Committees of Livestock Exhibit Discuss Plans and Report on Progress of Work.

The chairman of the various committees of the Livestock Conference and Exposition which will be held in Wilmington on the 28th and 29th of this month, under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce and the Southern Settlement and Development Organization, of Baltimore, met in the Chamber at noon yesterday to discuss plans, and make reports as to the progress of the work. President M. W. Jacobi presided at the meeting.

Among those attending were Messrs. G. A. Cardwell, chairman of the railcommittee; W. H. McEachern, chairman of the hog and cattle committee; C. W. Polvogt, representing the Retail Merchants Invitation committee; C. Van Leuven, of the reception committee, and Dr. T. B. Carroll, chairman of the space and sanitation committee.

Reports were received from the Chambers at Durham and Charlotte announcing the appointment of committees from these organizations to represent their cities at the exhibit. Those appointed are are from Durham Messrs: S. H. Reams, Altho Lumsford and P. O. Noell. From Charlotte the men selected by the president of the Chamber are Messrs. James Garibaldi, J. P. Lucas and C. C. Moore.

Chairman Cardwell of the railroads committee reported that the work assigned to his committee is progressing in a very satisfactory manner, and that many exhibits for the exhibition had already been secured. It is the duty of this committee to search for available exhibits along the lines of their respective roads (each railroad in the state having one member on the committee.)

In regard to the livestock department, or rather that part of it dealing with hogs and cattle, Mr. McEachern also had a very favorable report and was optimistic over the outlook.

Dr. Carroll, representing the space committee said his committee had gone over the situation carefully and that space had already been allotted for a number of exhibits. He also reported that chair space in the auditorium had been decided upon.

The work of the other committees is also going along with rapidity and precision and the committeemen feel that the success of Wilmington's initial venture in the way of a State-wide livestock exhibit will meet with a tremendous success.

NIGHT SCHOOL SOON.

Names of All Prospective Students Should be Sent to Committee.

It is desired that the names of all applicants for night school instruction be sent in to the office of the Board of Education, as it was expected to open the schools the first week in March. Information with regard to the school may be had by communicating with any of the following list: Mrs. H. G. Fennell, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, Rev. J. S. Crowley, Miss Eliza Meares and Mr. C. C. Cashwell.

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Having qualified as executor, under the last Will and Testament, of the estate of Joseph J. Jones, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the said estate to present the same to me, duly verified, on or before the 1st day of March, 1918, or this notice will be plead in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make prompt payment.

This 28th February, 1917.

F. W. AVANT, Executor.

By E. T. BURTON, Attorney.

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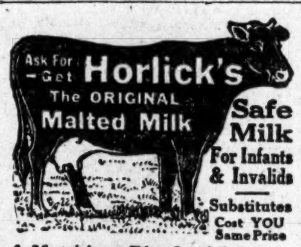
—Three violators of the driving ordinance, one white and two colored, were the only offenders to face Recorder George Harriss at yesterday morning's session of his court. One paid the cost, while in the cases of the other two, judgment was suspended, the defendants being recognized.



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MAYOR KILLED WHILE CHASING BANK ROBBER

Bandit Then Takes Victim's Horse and Makes Escape

One of Two Men Who Robbed Bank at Collinston, La., in Broad Daylight is Arrested—Posse Searching For the Other.

Monroe, La., Feb. 28.—In a running fight between a posse and two bandits who had robbed the Bank of Collinston, La., 20 miles north of here, at noon today, H. W. Vaughn, mayor of Collinston, was shot and killed. One of the bandits was shot and slightly wounded during the fight, and was captured and rushed to the Morehouse parish jail at Bastrop. A sack containing about $3,000 which the robbers had taken from the bank was recovered.

Vaughn was killed, according to the authorities, after the capture of the first bandit and during an exchange of shots between the second bandit and the mayor. Vaughn, it was stated, was mounted on a fast horse and was far ahead of the other members of the posse. The robber's horse was shot and Vaughn dismounted when his pistol missed fire. The robber rushed close to Vaughn and shot him dead. He then took Vaughn's horse and escaped.

More than a hundred armed and mounted men with bloodhounds tonight were scouring the country around Collinston for the fugitive robber. A posse from here headed by the chief of police assisted in the search.

WHISKY SCHOONER CAUGHT WHILE RUNNING BLOCKADE

Master and Negro Mate Held For Violating Virginia Liquor Law.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 28.—Ike Bozeman, master, and Horace Jones, negro mate of the schooner Elizabeth Clark, blockade runner, captured by the Virginia police gunboat Commodore Maury in a fight in which Captain Bozeman and Jones were wounded, were held by the justice of the peace at Irvington today to answer to the Lancaster County grand jury for violating the Virginia liquor laws by selling whiskey in tidewater counties. The Maury under Captain Doggett has gone to Norfolk, leaving the Clark at Irvington in charge of a prize crew.

RETAIL CLOTHIERS ORGANIZE

North Carolina Association Formed Yesterday at Raleigh.

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—The North Carolina Retail Clothiers Association was organized here today with Samuel Berwanger as president, Luther Markham, of Durham, and A. T. Horton, of Raleigh, vice-presidents, and Solon Jacobs, of Raleigh, secretary-treasurer. The executive board consists of J. Stein, Fayetteville; J. W. Bright, Durham, and T. N. Shelton, of Charlotte, together with the officers who are ex-officio members of the board. The association will affiliate with the National Association of Retail Clothiers. A. Rossin, secretary of the Iowa association, was here to assist in the organization of the North Carolina branch.

SUPREME COURT OPINIONS

Second Batch For This Term Delivered Yesterday.

(Special Star Telegram).

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 28.—The Supreme court delivered the second batch of opinions for the term this afternoon, the list being as follows:

Miller vs Johnston, Buncombe, no error; White vs Town of Edenton, new trial; Page vs Woodmen of the World, Washington, reversed; Statterthate vs Wilkerson, Beaufort, affirmed; Edwards vs Proctor, Beaufort, no error; Leggett vs A. C. L. railway, Martin, no error; Sanders vs May, Nash, affirmed; Mercer vs Lumber Co., Edgecombe, no error; Building Material Co., vs Harward Co., Edgecombe, affirmed; State vs Burnett, Wayne, affirmed; Muder vs S. A. L. railway, Warren, reversed; Palmer vs Latham, Lee, affirmed; Brown vs Taylor, Wayne, motion for certificate denied.

ALL CAMPS IN THE EL PASO DISTRICT UNDER QUARANTINE.

Action Taken Because of Spread of Pneumonia, Mumps and Measles.

El Paso, Texas., Feb. 28.—Because of the spread of pneumonia, measles and mumps among the soldiers of this district, a quarantine has been placed upon all camps by order of General Bell. Only soldiers on military business will be permitted to come into El Paso. All can move freely about the camps. The percentage of sickness is not high, the medical officers state.

BIG INCREASE EXPECTED IN INCOME TAX COLLECTIONS

New York, Feb. 28.—Income tax collections in the downtown district of this city are expected to amount to $66,000,000 for this year, according to the internal revenue collector. Collections for the district last year were less than $24,000,000 the year before about $15,000,000 and in 1914 less than $14,000,000. This district is said to yield the largest income tax of any in the country.

CONFERENCE ON COLONIZING CUT-OVER LANDS POSTPONED

New Orleans, Feb. 28.—The joint conference of the Southern Pine Association, Southern Settlement and Development Association and New Orleans Association of Commerce, set for this city March 19-21, to discuss plans for colonizing and selling the cut-over timber lands in the South, has been postponed to April 17 to 19, inclusive.

218 Golfers Qualify.

Pinehurst, N. C., Feb. 28.—Two hundred and eighteen survivors in the qualifying round of the annual spring golf tournament here, today played in the first round. Norman H. Maxwell, the medalist, of the Aronimink club, Philadelphia, narrowly escaped defeat J. H. Thompson, another Philadelphian, of the Spring Haven club. Maxwell won the eighteenth hole. Robert Hunter, of the Noroton Club, Conn., and Maxwell are picked by followers of the tournament for the finals.

Combination Auction Sale Friday, 10 A. M. Free automobile from James & James office. fe28-3t

THEATRICAL

It is an old saw that there is honor, even among thieves. In the peculiar code of the underworld the great unforgivable crime is the double-crossing, or betrayal, of a pal. Around this fact there has been written a fascinating combination of comedy and drama called "A Girl Like That" a Famous Players-Paramount production in which Irene Fenwick and Owen Moore are co-stars. It is the attraction at the Grand today.

Nell Gordon is the daughter of the head of a gang of bank burglars who does not approve of her father's bizarre occupation but loves him so devotedly that she risks everything to be of service to him. When one of the members of the gang locates a bank in the country which he believes to be "rich pickings," he attempts to cultivate the good graces of the cashier, but finding that he is unapproachable and irreproachable—he informs old Gordan that it is a job for a girl to tackle. Nell is sent to the town with instructions to get the combination of that safe, no matter by what means she does so.

But after Nell has been in the town for some time, she falls in love with the cashier and cannot find it in her heart to betray his confidence in her. The members of the gang, meanwhile, are hounding her father for information concerning the girl and when he finally refuses to tell them anything, they kill him in their rage.

In escaping the consequence of their act, the culprits flee to the small town in which Nell is staying and attempt to force her to carry out their original design of robbing the bank, threatening to expose her to the man she loves if she does not do so. Nell is on the point of yielding when she reads in the paper of the murder of her father by the men who were supposed to be his own pals and in her wild fury at their treachery, she decides upon a plan of revenge that calls for the utmost skill and daring. That she is wounded in the fight which follows means nothing to her, for she is happy in avenging the "double crossing" of her father.

"That Girlie Trio" at Royal.

The outstanding feature—the act that stood away above everything else and that went over as big as anything similar ever seen in Wilmington, was "That Girlie Trio," and merging into a quartette, at the big new show presented by Dave Newman's Tabarin Girls at the Royal yesterday for the first time.

This show is good all the way through—there doesn't seem a single weak spot in it—but these two acts were so exceptionally good that they called forth a continual applause on each appearance. There were other big features—oh, yes—and everyone went over big. There was that sterling comedy artist Dan Friendly, in his typical Jewish role, with Dave Newman playing alongside him in a similar part. They evoked continual laughter all the way through. And there were some of the niftiest dancing numbers ever seen on the Royal stage.

The two big Paramount comedies were the very best ever seen here. Especially one—a Paramount comedy starring inimitable Victor Moore, entitled "The Best Man" one of the very best parlor comedy creations ever seen. Don't miss this big bill on its last presentation today.

Charlie Chaplin at Bijou.

Today is the day—the Bijou the place—from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m., the time—to get your fill of the greatest comedy on earth, Charlie Chaplin in "Behind the Screen," playing a return engagement in Wilmington at the low Bijou price.

Charlie Chaplin in "Behind the Screen" will upset all your pet theories regarding doing in the studios and he goes right to work and reveals all the secrets of just "how it is done" in the tricks of the trade of making comedy photoplays. And Chaplin is right there all the way through, posing in the role of the prop boy upon whom fall all the blasphemy of the entire crew. It's the most ridiculous comedy that Chaplin ever starred in, and many will no doubt avail themselves of this opportunity to see it at such a low price.

Hearst-Pathe News for today gives you everything that has happened in the International crisis up to last Saturday night. The "Chicago" leaving New York for the war zone with guns mounted for defense, the Philadelphia awaiting preparations to sail, and the St. Louis being held in New York port for use as auxiliary cruiser are shown.

The great demonstrations over the famine in New York last Saturday, which were the biggest news in last Sunday's papers are shown in today's issue, and many scenes on the Mexican border are also of interest.

"A Studio Cinderella" is a great Joker comedy scream with Jane Gail and Matt Moore in the leading roles.

At the Academy Wednesday

Enchanting is one of the words to qualify "A Daughter of the Gods," Wm. Fox's $1,000,000 film spectacle, the attraction booked at the Academy of Music next Wednesday for a matinee and night engagement. Massive in its magnificence, luxurious in its wealth of scenic investiture and costuming, this spectacle is the last word in motion picture classics. As fast as the eye is fed with the kaleidoscopic changes of locale and incidents "the spectator's brain reels with enthusiastic admiration and childish wonder," says one critic describing the story, which is filled with heart throbs, human emotions and nerve-testing conditions, all harmonized in an enduring spell of beauty.

"So far as feminine physical perfection is concerned," comments Mary Edith Butler, author of "The Rose Behind the Wall," "Annett in very truth is a daughter of the gods, so perfect in flesh and blood composition, so instinctively graceful, that she fills the eye like an inspired dream of the Greek masters." The scenes in which she takes part, dream-stuff and golden poetry, one must carry ever after for mental retrospection whenever the subject of motion pictures is suggested."

Fantastic is the story, at times, to the point of real childhood belief, and yet it entrances and grips the spectator with its sheer realism. The prices will range from 50 cents to $1. No higher. Tickets will go on sale at Elvington's Monday morning.

FARMER, AFTER BEING SHOT, STABS ASSAILANT TO DEATH

Tragedy Just Outside Circuit Court Room at Nashville, Tenn.

Nashville, Tenn, Feb. 28.—Will Hoffstetter, a farmer from near The Hermitage, after being shot through the back by Ervin G. Tompkins, just outside the circuit court room at the county court house here early today, turned on his assailant and stabbed him to death with a small pocket knife. Hoffstetter is at the city hospital in a serious condition. Tompkins fired three shots. One went through Hoffstetter's body.

James Hoffsetter, a brother of Will Hoffstetter, went to his brother's rescue and was slightly cut on the wrist by his brother's knife.

Senate Passes Pension Bill.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The Senate laid aside the revenue bill for one minute tonight by unanimous consent and put through the annual invalid pension bill already passed by the House and carrying about $160,000,000.

CONTRACT LET FOR BIG HYDRO-ELECTRIC PLANT

To be Built at Wateree, S. C., at Cost of About $6,000,000

Construction to Begin at Once on New Development For Southern Power Company—Will Produce 100,000 Horsepower.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 28.—It was announced here today by the Southern Power Company that contracts have been let for the immediate construction of a hydro-electric plant at Wateree, South Carolina, to cost approximately $6,000,000. According to the announcement the plant is to be completed by November 1, 1918. It will develop 100,000 horsepower.

The new plant, which will be located six miles above Camden, will connect with the other six plants operated by the same concern and located upon the same stream or its tributaries. It will be the largest plant of its kind in the South. The other plants are Great Falls, Fishing Creek, Rocky Creek, Catawba, Lookout Shoals and Bridgewater, construction upon which is completed.

It was unofficially stated that the contract was let today in New York by J. B. Duke to the Hardaway Contracting Company, of Columbus, Ga. This company recently completed the Fishing Creek plant and is now engaged in the construction of the Bridgewater Plant. The wateree dam will be approximately 2,500 feet in length. There will be five units of 20,000 horsepower each in the Wateree plant.

Big Decrease In Sailings.

Baltimore, Feb. 28.—From one hundred and thirty foreign steamers entering this port in January there was a decrease in February of 45. Of the 85 entering in February led, the British ships taking second palce for the first time in fifty years. There were 37 Norwegian and 23 British.

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Folks who are accustomed to feel dull and heavy when they arise, splitting headache stuffy from a cold, foul tongue, nasty breath, acid stomach, can, instead, feel as fresh as a daisy by opening the sluices of the system each morning and flushing out the whole of the internal poisonous stagnant matter.

Everyone, whether ailing, sick or well, should, each morning, before breakfast, drink a glass of real hot water with a tablespoonful of limestone phosphate in it, to wash from the stomach, liver and bowels the previous day's indigestible waste, sour bile and poisonous toxins; thus cleansing, sweetening and purifying the entire alimentary canal before putting more food into the stomach. The action of hot water and limestone phosphate on an empty stomach is wonderfully invigorating. It cleans out all the sour fermentations, gases, waste and acidity and gives one a splendid appetite for breakfast. While you are enjoying your breakfast the water and phosphate is quietly extracting a large volume of water from the blood and getting ready for a thorough flushing of all the inside organs.

The millions of people who are bothered with constipation, bilious spells, stomach trouble; others who have sallow skins, blood disorders and sickly complexions are urged to get a quarter pound of limestone phosphate from the drug store. This will cost very little, but is sufficient to make anyone a pronounced crank on the subject of inside-bathing before breakfast.

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Revenue Bill is Passed By the Senate Shortly After Midnight

LaFollette Starts Filibuster Against Armed Neutrality Measure and is Induced to Withdraw From His Tactics by Vigorous Objection from His Colleagues on the Republican Side.

Washington, March 1.—Senator LaFollette began a single-handed filibuster against the armed neutrality bill when the Senate reconvened at 12:55 this morning after a reces sof ten minutes following passage of the revenue bill.

Senator Stone, chairman of the foreign relations committee, sought unanimous consent to dispense with preliminary formalities in order to get formally before the Senate the armed neutrality measure reported by the committee, which would authorize the President to arm American ships and employ "other instrumentalities" to protect American life and rights on the sea.

Prompt objection came from Senator LaFollette, who insisted upon consuming time reading the journal of previous days, over the vigorous objection of Senators Fall and Poindexter, Republicans.

Finally the Wisconsin senator was induced to withdraw his objection on condition that there should be no action on the bill before Friday. When Democratic leaders agreed to this, the committee presented the bill with a favorable report and Senator Stone asked that it lay over until Friday.

Then the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning (Thursday), the majority abandoning plans for taking up the naval appropriation bill.

REVENUE MEASURE IS PASSED BY A STRICT PARTY VOTE

Washington, Feb. 28.—The administration revenue bill, designed to raise $350,000,000 through special taxes and bond issues, was passed by the Senate late tonight by a strict party vote, 47 to 33.

Immediately after the vote, which followed the defeat of scores of amendments offered in quick succession by Republicans, Senator Stone moved to adjourn to 12:40 o'clock so as to clear the legislative situation for consideration of the armed neutrality bill.

Senator Penrose countered with a motion to adjourn to 10:30 tomorrow morning, and when that had been voted down another by Senator LaFollette was beaten.

Then a motion to adjourn to 12:55 a. m. was carried by a vote of 60 to 9. There were protests in the Republican ranks against the tactics of their leaders, and Senators Borah and Fall told their colleagues they were tired of seeing time wasted and wanted the Senate to get down to business.

CABLEGRAM TO PRESIDENT WILSON FROM A. Y. HOY

Washington, Feb. 28.—President Wilson has received the following cablegram from Austin Y. Hoy, whose mother and sister were lost when the Laconia was torpedoed without warning by a German submarine:

"I am an American citizen representing the Sullivan Machinery Company, of Chicago, living abroad and not as an American expatriate, but for the promotion of American trade. I love the flag, believing in its significance. My beloved mother and sister, passengers on the Laconia, have been foully murdered on the high seas.

"As an American citizen outraged, and as such fully within my rights, and as an American son and brother bereaved, I call upon my government to preserve its citizens' self-respect and save other of my countrymen from such deep grief as I now feel.

"I am of military age, able to fight. If my country can use me against these brutal assassins I am at its call. If it stultifies my manhood and my nation's by remaining passive under outrage I shall seek a man's chance under another flag."

IMMEDIATE RELEASE OF THE FOUR U. S. CONSULS ASKED

Washington, Feb. 28.—Immediate release of four American consuls being detained in Germany was asked in a note sent the Berlin government tonight by the United States.

The request was made in a communication replying to a note received from Germany earlier in the day in which it was announced that the American officials would be allowed to travel to new posts in Europe when the Berlin government had been officially informed that German consuls in this country ordered to South and Central America had been permitted to proceed.

CIVIL WAR VETERAN AMONG THOSE LOST ON THE LACONIA

New York, Feb. 28.—William Eva, who was lost when the steamship Laconia was torpedoed off the Irish coast Sunday night, was an American citizen, according to an announcement by Cunard Line officials tonight. He was 74 years old and lived in California. He served in the Civil War.

Until today it had been supposed that Mrs. Hary E. Hoy and her daughter, Miss Elizabeth Hoy, of Chicago, were the only American victims among the Laconia's victims.

POWERFUL RADIO STATION IN OPERATION IN MEXICO

Messages Transmitted in Manner Typical of German Operators.

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 28.—Fresh reports that a German steamer has been placed along the west coast of Mexico and Central Americo for the possible purpose of collect fuel and stores for German submarines or a German raider were received here by Federal authorities. It was also learned that a powerful wireless station, the operations of which transmit message in the slow methodical manner typical of the German naval radio service, has been in service at a point several miles south of Turtle Bay, Lower California.

MUCH GOLD WAS SEIZED FROM LINER FREDERIK VIII

Bernstorff Thanked Naval Officers For Courteous Treatment

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 28.—It was reported here tonight that prior to the sailing from here for Copenhagen of the steamship Frederik VIII, with Count von Bernstorff and his party on board, $25,000 in gold was taken from the Countess Manred Matuschka, of Washington. This, it was said, with all other gold carried by the passengers, was confiscated by the British authorities as contraband.

Before the ship sailed Count von Bernstorff thanked the naval officers in charge of the examination of the ship for the courteous way in which they had performed their duties.

DIRECTORS FOR THE STATE INSTITUTIONS APPOINTED

Raleigh, N. C., February 28. — The Senate in executive session tonight confirmed appointments by the Governor as follows:

Prison Directors—H. B. Varner, Davidson; A. E. Smith, Surry; C. B. Armstrong, Gaston; W. M. Sanders, Johnston; B. F. Shelton, Edgecombe.

Trustees of A. & M. College—Six years, March 20—R. H. Ricks, Nash; D. R. Noland, Haywood; W. R. Bonsal, Richmond; Everett Thompson, Pasquotank; A. M. Dixon, Gaston; to fill unexpired term of R. R. Ray, resigned.

Directors State School for Blind—J. E. Pogue, Wake; H. H. McLendon, Anson; Richard R. Boyd, Warren; Miss Mary O. Graham, Wake; six years March 6th.

School for Deaf—R. C. Miller, Cleveland; Mrs. I. P Jetu, Burke.

State Board of Agriculture—Six years March 1st—R. L. Woodard, Pamlico; H. Q. Alexander, Mecklenburg; A. T. McCallum, Robeson.

Internal Improvements—R. S. Busbee, Wake, two years March 10, R. L. Burns, Moore.

Caswell Training School—C. Dewey, Wayne; A. B. Justice, Mecklenburg; Miss Elizabeth Kelly, Johnston; six years March 4th.

Geological Board—John Sprunt Hill, Durham; C. C. Smart, Wilkes, four years March 1st.

No appointments as to hospitals for insane were made.

AUTOMOBILE PLUNGES INTO THE HARBOR AT BALTIMORE

One Woman Dead, Three Persons Missing and Three in Hospital.

Baltimore, Mar. 1.—One woman is dead, three persons are missing, and three others are in the city hospitals, as a result of a big touring car plunging into the harbor from Quay Allen, in the rear of the Chesapeake Steamship Company's pier at 12:45 o'clock this morning. The machine is beneath the water of the harbor. According to one of the women in the Mercy hospital, three others who were in the party are in the car.

MORE THAN THOUSAND WOMEN TO BE IN INAUGURAL PARADE

Washington, Feb. 28.—The committee in charge of the inauguration announced today a number of women's delegations which will supply more than a thousand marchers for the parade Monday. Among those who will march are a delegation of Illinois Democratic women, headed by Mrs. George Bass, of Chicago; fifty members of the Women's Wilson League of Philadelphia, 100 members of Women's National Trade League, of Baltimore, a delegation from California and Washington state, several hundred employes of the bureau of engraving and printing, four hundred girl scouts and more than a hundred Washington women.

SAYS HARRY K. THAW IS A MENTAL AND PHYSICAL WRECK

Philadelphia, Pa., Feb. 28.—Harry K. Thaw is a physical and mental wreck, according to a report made today to Captain of Detective Tate by Dr. John Wanamaker, third, a police surgeon, who was present yesterday when New York alienists examined Thaw at a hospital here. Thaw was taken to the hospital seven weeks ago when he cut his throat while police were searching for hi mon a warrant charging him with beating a Kansas City boy in a New York hotel.

The Thaw family today is completing its plans for the lunacy proceedings instituted by Thaw's mother last Monday. The hearing will be held March 12.

DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at 10 a. m.

Resumed debate on revenue bill.

Military committee ordered report on army bill carrying $277,000,000.

Republican senators again threatened to tie up defense bills to force an extra session of Congress.

Passed administration revenue bill.

Adjourned at 12:45 a. m. (Thursday) to 12:55 a .m. (Thursday).

Reconvened at 12:55 a. m. (Thursday).

Senator LaFollette blocked attempt of Democratic leaders to bring up armed neutrality bill, and it finally was agreed to consider it Friday.

Adjourned at 1:25 a. m. to 10 a. m. Thursday.

HOUSE

Met at 11 a. m.

Passed the $139,000,000 sundry civil appropriation bill.

Foreign affairs committee considered administration resolution for arming neutral ships and appropriation for defense.

Conferees made another effort to agree on the apparently deadlocked $330,000,000 postal bill.

Passed District of Columbia prohibition bill.

Passed Senate bill for prohibition in the National capital by a vote of 273 to 137.

Sent District of Columbia appropriation bill back to conference.

Adjourned at 9:35 p. m. to 11 a. m. Thursday.

REPORT OF CAPTAIN OF SCHOONER NOW RECALLED

Said He Saw German Steamer Enter Magdalena Bay in December.

San Diego, Cal., Feb. 28.—Revelations from Washington of German-Mexican intrigues tonight recalled the report of Captain L. K. Brandt, of the schooner W and K., when he arrived here February 15 from Magdalena Bay, that a steamer flying the German flag had entered Magdalena Bay early in December and had remained in the bay for more than 12 hours.

Brandt's report tended to confirm previous reports of a German steamer that had been cruising along the Lower California coast for the supposed purpose of collecting and secreting supplies for a German raider.

At the time the German steamer was in Magdalena Bay the British cruiser Rainbow was reported at Santa Rosalia watching the fleet of German merchantmen tied up there. About the same time three Japanese warships were sighted off Cape San Lucas at the extreme tip of Lower California.

THREE SPECIALISTS EXAMINE THAW'S MENTAL CONDITION

Philadelphia, Feb. 27.—Three alienists representing the district attorney of New York today examined Harry K. Thaw at a local hospital, where he has been a patient since he slashed himself with a razor in a Philadelphia rooming house when about to be arrested on an indictment returned in New York, charging him with assaulting Frederick Gump, Jr., a Kansas City school boy.

None of the specialists would comment on the result of their examination, but Assistant District Attorney Black, of New York, who was present, said: "We will fight to the limit to have Thaw extradited."

SEVEN KILLED, TWO FATALLY HURT, IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

Lima, Ohio, Feb. 28.—Seven are dead and 12 are in the hospital, at least two of whom will die, are the toll of an automobile accident here tonight. Twenty-two homeward bound employes of the Ohio Steel Foundry were hurled through the air and beneath train wheels when a Cincinnati, Hamilton and Dayton freight struck the bus.

TWO HELD IN CONNECTION WITH DOUBLE MURDER IN 1907

One Man Said to Have Confessed to Killing Two Savannah Women

El Paso, Texas, Feb. 28.—Two men are held here in connection with a double murder in Savannah, Ga., in 1907. One, who gave the name of J. B. Bradley, confessed to the police, they said, that he and Frank Hardin had killed two white women in the Georgia city while attempting to rob their home. A third man, claiming to be Frank Harwell, also was arrested in connection with the case. All three are held for Savannah authorities.

Bradley, in his confession, said that when they entered the home, a young woman appeared downstairs and added:

"I hit her with an iron bar, but did not think I had killed her."

He asserted that Hardin went upstairs and reported upon his return: "I had to croak an 'old dame' upstairs."

Bradley said that he had heard subsequently that a third woman had been killed, but that he knew nothing of that crime.

BANK OF FRANCE NAMED.

Appointed Correspondent of Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Washington, Feb. 28.—The Federal Reserve Board today authorized the appointmnet of the Bank of France as correspondent of the Federal Reserve Bank of Nw York. Other reserve banks, it was announced, will be permitted to participate in the arrangement upon its establishment.

Authority for the appointment was granted in pursuance of the board's policy of extending the banking connections of the Federal Reserve system throughout the world and was foreshadowed by similar action taken in the case of the Bank of England last December.

As the Bank of France, like the Bank of England, and the Federal Reserve System are official governmental organizations, the establishment of the proposed arrangement will link the financial departments of the United States and France in an official capacity for the first time.

WHOLE TOWN TURNS OUT TO SEE THE GERARD PARTY OFF

Embarkation Largest Seen at Corunna In Years, Says Correspondent.

London, Feb. 27.—The Daily Mail's Corunna correspondent, referring to the embarkation yesterday of James W. Gerard, former American ambassador to Germany, and his party for the voyage to the United tSates, says:

"All the town turned out to watch the grand embarkation, which possibly is destined to become historical. The embarkation was largest seen here in many years as, in addition to the Americans ,the Infante Isabel is carrying 1,700 Spanish emigrants to Cuba."

FISHERMAN CLAIM DEVICE BROUGHT ASHORE IS A MINE

Miami, Fla., Feb. 28.—What fishermen described as a contact mine was brought ashore today at Long Key, ninety miles south of here, according to G. F. Dimick, an express messenger on the Florida East Coast, who arrived here today from Long Key. Dimick said he saw the supposed mine, and that a fisherman who found it first thought it was a buoy. There was no explanation of where such a mine might have come from.

Sugar Mills to Resume

Santiago, Cuba, Feb. 28.—At a conference at San Francisco between commanders of American warships and the military governor of the province of Oriente it was decided to issue orders to all sugar estates where work had stopped to resume operations immediately.

FOR AN AMERICAN BAYREUTH

Mme. Schumann-Heink Has Made A Start in San Diego.

(San Diego, Cal., letter in Kansas City Star).

Mme. Ernestine Schumann-Heink has taken the first definite step in founding a species of American Bayreuth, which has been the dream of many Wagnerian singers. Mme. Lillian Nordica hoped to found one on the Hudson.

With her usual practical sense, Mme. Schuman-Heink has seized upon the situation at San Diego. Her future festival hall is to be built around the great outdoor Spreckels organ in the exposition grounds. She has deposited $10,000 as a nucleus for the guarantee fund. John D. Spreckels and other prominent San Diegans are supporting the scheme financially also.

The singer has planned the annual festivals in detail. There are to be operas and great shoral and orchestral works, with visiting soloists. Mme. Schumann-Heink will give her services.

Young American singers will be given an opportunity in minor roles and local musicians will be employed in the choruses and orchestras. These will be trained by Anton Hoff, who has trained and conducted choruses at Bayreuth and the Metropolitan. Mr. Hoff will come to San Diego next April to make his home here and to be resident conductor and choirmaster.

It is Mme. Schumann-Heinks idea to have these performances begin late in the afternoon, probably about 4 o'clock, and continue through the evening, with an intermission of an hour and a half or more for dinner. The festival this year will cover three and possibly four days. According to the outline just announced Mme. Schumann-Heink, on the first day there will be given an all-Wager program of excepts from Wagnerian operas.

The second day's program will comprise a complete performance of Humperdnick's "Hansel and Gretel" and on the third day there will be a symphony concert with noted soloists.

Mme. Schumann-Heink hopes there will be a fourth day on which "Hansel and Gretel" will be repeated for the benefit of the children of San Diego.

The festival will not be operated for profit, and the prices charged for seats will be worked out so as to make the proceeds about equal the cost.

HE SAVED SEVENTEEN LIVES

Death Claims Hero Who Inquired, "Did I Do My Best?"

(Chicago News).

Edward W. Spencer, first student life saver at Northwestern University at Evanston and "the hero of the Lady Elgin," died at Burbank, Cal., recently, after a lingering illness. He was 81 years old.

His death recalls a bit of almost forgotten Chicago history. In 1860 the side-wheel steamer Lady Elgin collided with the schooner Augusta, of Winnetka, while bound for Milwaukee, and sank, with the loss of the lives of 295 passengers. Spencer's feat of rescuing 17 persons was commemorated by the class of 1898, which erected a bronze memorial tablet in the Orrington Lunt Library at the university June 3, 1908.

As Spencer sank with exhaustion on completing his final trip through the breakers and the surf he asked the question inscribed on the tablet, "Did I do my best?" His experience left him broken in health and he went to California to recuperate. He lived there until his death.

TO BUILD TWO 10,000-TON SHIPS FOR THE CUNARD LINE

Baltimore, Feb. 28.—The Bethlehem Steel Company at Sparrow's Point announced today that it had received contracts for two cargo ships of 10,000 tons each from the Cunard Company. These ships are the first to be built in this country for the Cunard Company in fifty years.

NATIONAL GUARD SUPPLY TRAIN FINISHES LONG MARCH

San Antonio, Texas, Feb. 28.—An overland march of approximately 300 miles along the border and inland to San Antonio was completed today by the supply train of the New York National Guard. The train left McAllen, Texas, February 11 and save for one day's rest at Laredo has moved steadily since. The train is the only outfit of its kind in the army and is designed to carry quartermasters' supplies for 15,000 men. It consists of 126 wagons, 602 mules, 10 saddle horses, 61 pack mules and 25 spare draft mules. One hundred and eighty two men are attached.

BRITISH STEAMER LEYSIAN ASHORE AND IS TOTAL LOSS

Newport News, Va., Feb. 28.—Reports received here today stated that the British steamer Leysian, bound from Avonmouth for this port, went ashore off the British coast and will be a total loss. The report states that the crew of the steamer, many of whom were Americans, was saved. The Leysian went aground on February 24 and the report received here has it that her compass had been tampered with.

The steamer left here February 1 with a cargo of horses for Avonmouth. She had landed the horses and was on the return trip when she went ashore.

SAYS B. & O. IS OPERATING AT A LOSS IN WEST VIRGINIA

Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 28.—The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company today concluded the presentation of evidence in the hearing of its petition before the public service commission asking that it be permitted to advance passenger rates above the two-cent-a-mile rate prescribed by West Virginia statutes. A. W. Thompson, vice president of the company, told the commission that railroad maintenance had increased during the past five years and that the lines of the company in West Virginia were being operated at a loss.

BONUS IF SHE DOESN'T WED

Kansas Girl Will Get $5 More A Month For Teaching School.

(Highland Park (Kan.) Dispatch to New York World.)

Miss Ella Eaton, of Highland, who will teach in the schools of Metcalf, Ariz., during the coming year, will receive a bonus of $5 a month if she refrains from marrying until the end of the school term next spring. Marrying girls have been in great demand at Metcalf.

The School Board of that town has had so much trouble loking for new teachers after school has been in session three or four months that it was decided to offer a special bonus to the school teachers who will reamin single.

Whole Peanut Utilized Now

Over at Cleburne a contract has been closed for 100 car loads of peanut hulls to be used in a combination feed for livestock. This completes utilization of the entire peanut, a possible factor in prices next season. That the forthcoming crop will be more profitable to the producer than past seasons seems to be the general opinion of field men interested in promoting safe farming. Plant peanuts and let the peanut politician go.—Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Lady Tree a Vegetarian

"I have not eaten meat for three months "Lady Tree said at an animal lovers' bazaar, held recently. Major-General Alfred Turner said at the bazaar that he had not eaten meat for eight years, and his experience had taught him that a vegetarian and corn diet was much less disease producing than the animal diet.—London Chronicle.

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WHATS THE DIFF HE HAD EIGHT ALREADY!!
GOOD NIGHT
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HE MAKES A SALE
No 59
by F. R. Paul
GEE THIS IS A SWELL LOOKING GUY. I BET'CHA HE HAS GOT MONEY, I'LL SELL HIM A SET OF BOOKS. I ALWAYS LIKE TO DO BUSINESS WITH PEOPLE WITH LOTS OF KALE
YES, VERY MUCH INTERESTED I MUST SAY. LET ME LOOK AT IT!
I HAVE HERE A WONDERFUL WORK ON THE WAR, I SUPPOSE YOU ARE INTERESTED IN WAR, ARE YOU NOT?
EASY! EASY!
QUITE SO, YOU ARE PERFECTLY RIGHT, SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY, I SHALL TAKE YOUR ADVICE
YOU JUST CAN'T AFFORD TO LET SUCH AN OPPORTUNITY GET BY
THIS IS AN EASY CUSTOMER
HERE'S MY CARD, SEND ME 25 SETS OF YOUR BOOKS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!!!
25 SETS, ALL RIGHT SIR, WE'LL SEND THEM TO YOU BY SPECIAL DELIVERY!
I SHALL TAKE THIS SAMPLE BOOK ALONG YOU CAN PUT IT ON MY ACCOUNT!
I TOLD YOU IT TAKES ME TO SELL BOOKS. 25 SETS!! HOLY PRINTERS-INK, SOME ORDER, I CAN SEE MYSELF GETTING RICH, THIS FELLER MUST HAVE MONEY TO BURN, HIS NAME IS I. SKINEM No. 0 NOWHERE AVE
S.O.S.
HOW DID THAT HAPPEN, I COULD ALMOST SWEAR THAT THERE WUZ NOBODY AROUND EXEPT ME AN HIM, AND I CAN'T LOCATE MY WATCH AND MY POCKETBOOK IS GONE!!
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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON 3 TO 12 POINTS OFF

Market Displays Irregularity and Uneasiness Over Political and Shipping Conditions.

New York, Feb. 28.—The cotton market showed irregularities and uneasiness over political and shipping conditions was reflected in a small business and prices fluctuated within a range of 20 points. May contracts ruled between 16.60 and 16.77, closing at 16.-65, the general list closing steady at a net decline of 8 to 12 points.

The market opened steady at a decline of 4 to 16 points. May selling at 16.60 and October at 15.91 on the call. The market soon turned firmer and May went to 16.77, other old crop months sold at last nigh't closing figures. After this flurry, the market eased off under liquidation and selling became active during the afternoon.

This decline carried prices to about opening figures on near months or about 10 to 11 points net lower. The new crop which had failed to follow the advance held steady. The close was a few points up from the lowest on covering after nervous fluctuations in the late trading.

	Open	High	Low	Closing
March	..16.75	16.90	16.74	16.79
May	..16.60	16.77	16.60	16.65
July	..16.56	16.69	16.56	16.60
October	..15.93	16.05	15.88	15.92
December	..16.06	16.13	16.01	16.06

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Spot cotton, steady; middling 17.00.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 16.63; receipts 3,557; exports 5,805; sales 2,614; stock 434,775.

Galveston—Middling 16.90; receipts 2,896; exports 5,500; sales 449; stock 375,803.

Mobile—Middling 16.25; receipts 73; stock 8,778.

Savannah—Middling 16.50; receipts 215; stock 149,670.

Charleston—Receipts 351; stock 49,-674.

Wilmington—Middling 17.25; receipts 36; stock 51,324.

Texas City—Receipts 364.

Norfolk—Middling 17.25; receipts 1,-967; sales 294; stock 103,867.

Baltimore—Receipts 1,783; stock 13,-197.

Boston—Receipts 1,705; exports 341; stock 12,700.

Philadelphia—Middling 17.25; receipts 63; stock 2,265.

New York—Middling 17.00; exports 8,-752; stock 149,658.

Minor Ports—Receipts 310; stock 51,288.

Atlanta (semi-weekly)—Stock 73,740.

Total today—Receipts 14,863; exports 22,150; stock 1,301,904.

Total for week—Receipts 48,165; exports 57,732.

Total for season—Receipts 5,835,842; exports 4,072,093.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 16.90; receipts 1,-149; shipments 1,384; sales 545; stock 153,485.

Memphis—Middling 17.00; receipts 2,-783; shipments 1,758; sales 1,000; stock 355,335.

Augusta—Middling 17.06; receipts 149; shipments 795; sales 141; stock 120,090.

St. Louis—Middling 17.00; receipts 1,679; shipments 180; stock 37,100.

Cincinnati—Receipts 791; shipments 405; stock 22,832.

Little Rock—Middling 16.50; receipts 237; shipments 512; sales 512; stock 36,946.

Dallas—Middling 16.50; sales 924.

Montgomery—Middling 17.13; sales 150.

Total today—Receipts 6,788; shipments 5,034; stock 725,788.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

Market Is Unsettled and the Close Is At a Net Decline.

New Orleans, Feb. 28.—The cotton market was unsettled today. Prices were below the level of yesterday's close. Enough buying developed to cause reactions from the decline, but trading was held down. Last prices for the day were at a net loss of 3 to 15 points.

Around the opening poor cables caused a loss of 9 to 21 points, but the market recovered on a buying movement which appeared to be part of yesterday's buying. The drought in Texas and prospects of more dry weather to come in that section of the belt and reports of a good spot inquiry, especially from domestic spinners, helped steady the tone. Closing bid:

March 16.40; May 16.32; July 16.23; October 15.54; December 15.64.

Spot cotton, steady, 12 points off. Sales on the spot 2,239; to arrive 375; middling 16.63.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 28.—Spot cotton in moderate demand, prices firm; good middling 11.70; middling 11.60; low middling 11.42. Sales 7,000 bales, including 5,900 American and 1,000 for speculation and export; receipts 10,000 bales, none American.

Futures closed steady. March 10.99; March and April 10.93; April and May 10.83; May and June 10.83; June and July 10.75; July and August 10.68; August and September 10.48; September and October 10.09; October and November 9.94; November and December 9.84; December and January 9.79; January and February 9.75; February and March 9.75; March and April 9.85.

Official noon closing: February 11.18; February and March 11.09.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Hogs, unsettled, half of early advance of 10 to 25c lost; bulk 13.30 to 13.40; light 12.70 to 13.35; mixed 13.10 to 13.45; heavy 13.05 to 13.45; rough 13.05 to 13.15; pigs 10.25 to 12.00.

Cattle—Firm; native beef cattle 8.00 to 12.15; stockers 6.40 to 9.25; cows and heifers 5.30 to 10.30; cows 8.00 to 11.50.

Sheep—Steady; wethers 10.25 to 12.00; ewes 8.50 to 12.00; lambs 12.00 to 12.50.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 28.—Turpentine quiet, 48½c; sales none; receipts 35; shipments 121; stock 13,590.

Rosin—Firm; sales 759; receipts 726; shipments none; stock 78,335. Quote: A B C D E F G, 6.00; H I K M, 6.20; N, 6.35; WG, 6.45; WW, 6.70.

UPWARD TREND IN WHEAT

Extraordinary Efforts of England to Facilitate Shipments Has Bullish Effect on Market.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Reports of extraordinary endeavors by the British government to facilitate shipments led to material advances today in the value of wheat. Although unsettled at the close the market showed gains of 3⅛ to 3⅝c net, with May at 1.81¼ to 1.81⅝, and July at 1.54½ to 1.54¾. Corn gained 1⅜ to 1½c; oats ⅜ to ½, and provisions 37 to $1.02.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May 1.81¼; July 1.54½.

Corn—May 1.02; July 1.01⅛.

Oats—May 57⅛; July 55⅛.

Pork—May 31.87; July 31.32.

Lard—May 18.45; July 18.42.

Ribs—May 17.07; July 17.02.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2 red and No. 3 red, No. 2 and No. 3 hard, nominal.

Corn—No. 2 yellow 1.01¼; No. 3 yellow 1.00 to 1.01¼; No. 4 yellow 96 to 99¼.

MARINE.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Str. Santa Rosalia, 3,488 tons, Jones, Heide & Co.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.), 3,288 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.), 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 28.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—47½c.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—$2.75-12½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; tar, $1.70-8c; crude turpentine, nominal.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine ... ...(—)

Rosin ... ...(—)

Tar 284

Crude Turpentine 5

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 44 barrels; crude turpentine, 1 barrel.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—17¼c; same day last year, 11c.

Receipts—36 bales; same day last year, 5 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 77,832 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 149,567 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at February 28, 1917.

Atlantic Coast Line—36 bales cotton; 164 barrels tar, 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Lnie—20 barrels tar.

Total—36 bales cotton; 284 barrels tar; 5 barrels crude turpentine.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Purchase price quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 28.)

SWEET POTATOES — Yams, 75c. to 85c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$2.00 per bu.

CORN—$1.15 to $1.17½ per bu.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—10c to 12c per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1-2c; first class wool, 20c. to 35c.; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

HIDES—Green, salt, 18c. to 20c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Hams, 20c.; sides and shoulders ,15c. to 16c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c. per pound; good demand.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 20c. on foot; dressed, 25c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c. to 50c.; spring, 20c. to 25c. head.

EGGS—Dull, 32c to 34c.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 28.—North Carolina peanuts, new crop, farmers' stock, fancy hand-picked, $1.15; No. 1, machine, $1.12 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 80c.; fancy hand-picked, 75c.; No. 1, machine picked, 65c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 28.—Spanish—Farmers' stock—Market firm, $1.60 per bu.

Virginias, Farmers' stock—Market steady. Fancy Jumbo 4¼c per lb.; Extra Prime, 4¼c per lb.; Prime, 4c per lb.; Shelling stock, 3¼ to 3¾c. per lb.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, Feb. 28.—Beeves, lower; steers 8.00 to 12.45; bulls 5.75 to 9.00; cows 3.50 to 7.75.

Calves—Steady to firm; veals 9.00 to 13.75; culls 7.00 to 9.00; barn yard calves 5.00 to 5.75; fed calves 6.00 to 7.00; Indiana 5.50 to 7.00.

Sheep and Lambs—Steady; common sheep 7.00 to 8.50; lambs 13.50 to 14.50.

Hogs—Strong; light to heavy 13.25 to 13.60; pigs 12.00 to 12.75; rough 11.50 to 12.00.

NEW YORK MONEY MARKET.

New York, Feb. 28.—Mercantile paper steady, 4 to 4¼. Sterling 60 day bills 4.72; commercial 60 day bills on banks 4.72; commercial 60 day bills 4.71¾; demand 4.75⅜; cables 4.76 7-16. Bar silver 77; Mexican dollars 59⅝. Government bonds steady; railroad bonds heavy. Time loans firmer; 60 and 90 days 3¾ to 4; six months 4¼ to 4½. Call money steady; ruling rate 2¾.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Feb. 28.—Raw sugar firm; sales 25,000 bags, second half March shipment; centrifugal 5.27; molasses 4.40; refined firm.

Butter—Firmer.

Cheese—Strong.

Coffee—Spot dull and nominally unchanged; Rio 7s, 9¾c; Santos 4s, 10¾c.

FURTHER LOSS IN STOCKS

Restraints Imposed by the German-American Crisis Becomes Increasingly Effective.

New York, Feb. 28.—Restraints imposed upon speculation by reason of the international crisis became increasingly effective today, special stocks, particularly munitions and equipment, showing losses of 3 to 10 points.

The setback gathered force from attacks by the short interest. At no time did the market manifest more than a slight degree of steadiness. Lowest prices were made in the final hour.

Bethlehem Steel issues registered the greatest losses, the old stock falling 9 points to 120, the new shares 7 3-4 to 105 3-4 and "rights" to the new stock declining 7 1-2 to 6.

Other reversals included New York Airbrake, Industrial Alcohol, General Motors, Gulf States Stees, Atlantic, Gulf and West Indies, Mexican Petroleum, Texas Company and American Smelting at gross declines of 2 to 5 points.

United States Steel was less active than on the previous day, closing at a nominal net decline compared with 1 to 2 points for related shares.

Unsettlement was shown by motors and subsidiaries, sugars, Central Leather, Westing House, General Electric and Utilities.

Aside from the heaviness of coalers, with Lehigh Valley losing 2 points, rails failed to participate to any appreciable extent in the day's operations.

Bonds were heavy. Total sales, par value, $3,140,000.

United States bonds, unchanged on call.

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NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis Chalmers	24⅛
American Beet Sugar	87⅜
American Can	42¾
American CaCr & Foundry	64
American Cotton Oil	42½
American Locomotive	69
American Smelting	96½
American Sugar	110
American Tel. & Tel.	125
American Tobacco	207½
American Zinc	36⅛
Anaconda Copper	79¼
Atchison	102⅝
Atlantic Coast Line	113
Baldwin Locomotive	52¼
Baltimore & Ohio	75
Bethlehem Steel	120¾
Canadian Pacific	154
Central Leather	85
Chesapeake & Ohio	58⅛
Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	80½
Chicago, R. I. & Pac. Ry.	27⅛
Colorado Fuel & Iron	45½
Conosiladted Gas	122¼
Corn Products	20½
Crucible Steel	64¼
Cuba Cane Sugar	38½
Erie	26
General Electric	161⅞
Great Northern pfd	112¾
Great Northern Ore ctfs	32
Goodrich	53½
Illinois Central	101
Inspiration Copper	57⅛
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	69⅝
International Nickel	40⅜
International Paper	35½
Kansas City Southern	21¼
Kennecott Copper	44½
Lehigh Valley	70¾
Louisville & Nashville	126½
Liggett & Myers	250
Lorillard Co.	200
Maxwell Motors	53¼
Mexican Petroleum	85
National Lead	56
New York Central	94⅞
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford	43¼
Norfolk & Western, ex div.	127¼
Northern Pacific	103⅜
Pennsylvania	54⅜
Ray Consolidated Copper	26⅝
Reading	92½
Republic Iron & Steel	76
Seaboard Air Line	14⅜
Seaboard Air Line pfd	32¼
Sloss Shef. Steel & Iron	59
Studebaker Corporation	99
Southern Pacific, ex div.	92⅝
Southern Railway	27⅞
Southern Railway pfd	58
Tennessee Copper	14⅞
Texas Company	221½
Union Pacific	137½
United Fruit	139½
United States Rubber	51⅝
United States Steel	108⅜
United States Steel pfd	117½
Utah Copper	109⅛
Virginia Caro. Chem.	38
Wabash pfd "B"	25
Western Union	92⅝
Westinghouse Electric	47¾
Missouri Pacific w. i.	29½

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 28.—Cotton seed oil was sharply higher on active short covering and good buying for local and outside long account on the phenomenal rise in hog products and pronounced strength in all competing products. Additional March tenders of 900 barrels were put out but had no effect upon the market. The government report on the crush was looked upon as bearish. Final prices were 11 to 22 points net higher.

Close firm. Spot 12.87 bid; March 12.96 to 12.99; April 12.85 to 12.86; May 12.87 to 12.88; June 12.85 to 12.88; July August and September 12.36 to 12.87; October 12.20 to 12.35. Total sales 54,300 barrels.

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THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

March 1, 1917.

Meteorological data for day ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 65 degrees; at 8 P. M., 62 degrees; maximum, 80 degrees; minimum, 60 degrees; mean, 70 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 1.18 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 14.2 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Rain Thursday and colder Friday southeast portion.

The Port Calendar, March 1, 1917.

Sun rises .....6:41 A. M.
Sun sets .....6:08 P. M.
Day's length .....11 hrs. 27 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water.		Low water.	
	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	3:54	4:16	11:18	11:30
Southport	1:52	2:09	8:23	7:32
Masonboro Inlet	1:41	1:58	8:03	8:12

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.
February 28, 1917.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.
Abilene	cldy	42	32	.6
Asheville	cldy	70	58	.0
Atlanta	cldy	76	60	.0
Augusta	cldy	78	60	.0
Baltimore	cldy	36	..	.62
Birmham	pt cldy	80	64	.0
Boston	clear	36	32	.0
Charleston	clear	78	60	.0
Charlotte	cldy	58	50	.0
Chicago	rain	40	22	.0
Galveston	pt cldy	72	66	.0
Jaxville	pt cldy	82	64	.02
Memphis	rain	46	38	.36
Mobile	pt cldy	64	66	.06
Montgomery	cldy	82	64	.0
N. Orleans	clear	82	62	.18
New York	cldy	36	34	.22
Oklahoma	cldy	36	30	.0
Palestine	cldy	54	54	.0
Pittsburg	clear	40	30	.02
Raleigh	cldy	48	48	.0
Savannah	pt cldy	82	62	.0

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 28.—Cotton goods firmer with colored goods being either high or placed at value. Yarns were steady, with a rising tendency, while worsted yarns were firm and higher. Burlaps were easy and hosiery firm.

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Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective Feb. 5th, 1917. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90 3:20 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. Through Sleeping Car between Wilmington and Raleigh. Open to receive passengers, after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, Southbound until 7:00 A. M.	No. 91 1:15 A. M. Daily except Monday.
No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:45 A. M. Daily except Sunday.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 63 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Daily except Sunday.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.
No. 57 7:00 P. M. Daily except Sunday	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate points.	No. 58 9:25 A. M. Daily except Sunday

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

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WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE
IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1916.
WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter P'rk	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsv'le	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsv'le for Wilmington	Leave Winter P'rk for Wilmington
*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	*6:30 A.M.	.....	*6:15 A.M.	*6:26 A.M.
16:30 A.M.	16:30 A.M.	x16:30 A.M.	z17:05 A.M.	17:15 A.M.	17:26 A.M.
*6:50 A.M.	*6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	*7:20 A.M.	*7:31 A.M.
*8:00 A.M.	*8:00 A.M.	.....	*7:40 A.M.	*7:50 A.M.	*8:01 A.M.
*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	*8:30 A.M.	.....	*8:30 A.M.	*8:41 A.M.
18:30 A.M.	18:30 A.M.	x18:30 A.M.	z19:05 A.M.	19:15 A.M.	19:26 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	*9:15 A.M.	*9:25 A.M.	*9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	.....	10:20 A.M.	10:31 A.M.
11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	11:00 P.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
*1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	x*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
o1:55 P.M.	o1:55 P.M.	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:55 P.M.	12:06 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	z*1:45 P.M.	*1:50 P.M.	*2:01 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	*2:25 P.M.	*2:36 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o3:00 P.M.	o3:11 P.M.
o4:16 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o3:50 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
o4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	o4:30 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	o5:10 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	6:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:40 P.M.	6:40 P.M.	x6:40 P.M.	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	.....	6:40 P.M.	6:51 P.M.
8:15 P.M.	8:15 P.M.	.....	z7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	9:15 P.M.	.....	7:55 P.M.	8:06 P.M.
10:15 P.M.	10:15 P.M.	.....	.....	8:45 P.M.	8:56 P.M.
11:15 P.M.	11:15 P.M.	.....	10:00 P.M.	10:10 P.M.	10:21 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	10:48 P.M.	10:56 P.M.
.....	.....	.....	.....	11:45 P.M.	11:56 P.M.

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ARRIVAL OF TRAINS.

No. 14.—12:30 P. M., Charlotte and Intermediate points. Pullman Parlor Car.
No. 20.—12:10 A. M., Charlotte and Intermediate points. Sleeper may be occupied until 7:00 o'clock A. M.

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6:45 A.M. Lv. Goldsboro Ar. 9:25 P.M.
7:40 A.M. Ar. Selma Lv. 8:38 P.M.
8:52 A.M. Ar. Raleigh Lv. 7:25 P.M.

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PLOT OF GERMANY KNOWN TO WILSON SINCE BREAK

(Continued from Page One.)

swer to the German chancellor's plaint that the United States "brusquely" broke off relations without giving "authentic" reasons for its action.

Supplies A Missing Link

The document supplies the missing link to many separate chains of circumstances, which until now have seemed to lead to no definite point.

It sheds new light upon the frequently reported, but indegnable, movements of the Mexican government to couple its situation with the friction between the United States and Japan. It adds another chapter to the celebrated report of Jules Cambon, French ambassador in Berlin before the war, of Germany's world-wife plans for stirring strife on every continent where they might aid her in the struggle for world domination which she dreamed was close at hand. It adds a climax to the operations of Count von Bernstorff and the German embassy in this county, which have been colored with passport frauds, charges of dynamite plots and intrigue, the full extent of which never has been published.

It gives new credence to persistent reports of submarine bases on Mexican territory in the Gulf of Mexico; it takes cognizance of a fact long recognized by American army chiefs, that if Japan ever undertook to invade the United States it probably would be through Mexico, over the border and into the mississippi valley to split the country in two. It recalls that Count von Bernstorq when handed his passports was very reluctant to return to Germany but expressed a preference for asylum in Cuba. It gives a new explanation to the repeated arrests on the border of men charged by American military authorities with being German interrigence agents.

Last of all it seems to show a connection with General Carranza's recent proposal to neutrals that exports of food and munitions to the entente allies be cut off, and an intimation that he might stop the supply of oil, so vital to the British navy, which is expected from the Tampico fields.

Congress Keenly Watched

What Congress will do, and how members of Congress who openly have sympathized with Germany in their opposition to clothing the President with full authority to protect American rights, with regards to the vindication of Germany's machinations to attack the United States, is the subject tonight of the keenest interest.

Such a proposal as Germany instructed her minister to make to Mexico borders on an act of war, if, actually, it is not one.

No doubt exists here now that the persistent reports during the last two years of the operations of German agents not alone in Mexico, but all through Central America and the West Indies are based on fact. There is now no doubt whatever that the proposed alliance with Mexico was known to high Mexican officials who are distinguished for their anti-Americanism. Among them are Rafael Zubaran, Carranza's minister to Germany, and Luis Cabrera, Carranza's minister of finance.

Zubaran and Cabrera in Plot?

It is apparent that the proposal had taken definite form when Zubaran returned to Mexico City from Berlin recently. His return was covered by the fact that Carranza had called in many of his diplomats for "conferences." Sometime before that, Cabrera, while still at Atlantic City in the conference of the American-Mexican joint commission, had suggested in a guarded way to a member of the American section that he regretted that the commission had not succeeded fully in settling the difficulties between Mexico and the United States, for, he said, he had hoped it might continue its work and make peace for the world.

When pressed for some details of how the commission could restore world peace, Cabrera suggested that the American republic controlled the destiny of the war by controlling a large part of its supplies.

Mexico, he intimated, might do her part by cutting off exports of oil. The American commissioners dismissed his ideas as visionary.

Almost coincident with Zubaran's return from Germany, Cabrera returned to Mexico City, open in his expressions of anti-Americanism. Zubaran, before being sent abroad, had represented Gen. Carranza here while the Niagara mediation conferences were proceeding, and was no less avowedly anti-American than Cabrera.

Schoen Transferred to Mexico

Meanwhile, Baron von Schoen, secretary of the German embassy here, was transferred to the legation in Mexico City. No explanation could be obtained of the reason for his transfer, and sch investigation as was possible failed to develop why a secretary from the United States should be sent to the German legation in Mexico. Baron von Schoen's association with the moves, if any at all, does not appear. The only outward indication that he might have been connected with them is found in the fact that he recently had been detached from the German embassy in Tokio and was well acquainted with the Japanese minister in Mexico City.

Carranza's peace proposal was openly pronounced as evidence of German influence in Mexico, by officials here, who declared it was intended only to embarrass the United States. Then apparently, some influences showed their effect on the course of the Mexican government and on February 25, Cabrera, the minister of finance, issued a statement describing the "amazement" of the Mexican people that the American newspapers should have interpreted General Carranza's proposal to cut off experts of munitions as a suggestion that he might cut off shipments of British oil. They were, Cabrera declared, "entirely groundless," and that feature of the situation ended.

There was an intimation that Germany's astounding proposal that Japan turn traitor to her allies had been answered by Tokio.

German Embassy Headquarters.

Count von Bernstorff's connection with the plot, further than serving as the channel of communication, is intensified by the fact that the German embassy here was not merely the medium of delivering a message in this instance, but was really a sort of headquarters for all the German missions in Central and South America.

The German naval attache, Captain Boy-Ed, and the military attache, Captain von Papen, whose recall was forced by State Department of because military activities in this country, also were accredited to Mexico, and between the outbreak of the war and their departure from this country made at least one visit there.

For months many naval officers here have believed that the mysterious German sea raiders of the South Atlantic must have found a base somewhere on the Mexican coast, and that such a base could not be maintained without the knowledge and consent of Mexican officials. Last November the British charge at Mexico City presented to the Carranza foreign office a notification that if it was discovered that Mexican neutrality thus had been violated, the allies would take "drastic measures" to prevent a continuance.

In a note almost insolent in tone, Foreign Minister Aguila replied to the charge that, in effect, it was the business of the allies to keep German submarines out of western waters, and that if they were not kept out, Mexico would adopt whatever course the circumstances might commend.

German Influences Evident.

To German influences also have been attributed in some quarters the vigorous steps taken by the defacto finance minister to force loans from the Banco Nacionale and the Bank of London and Mexico, owned by French and British capital. The institutions were closed by the Mexican authorities and some of their officers imprisoned and held for weeks despite repeated protests by France, Great Britain and the United States.

Reports of German machine guns and German gunners in the Carranza army also have been persistent, although the relative importance of that to the proposed alliance is not fully established, It was recalled tonight, too, that last November, when the Mexican-American joint commission was making its futile effort to adjust the difficulties between the two countries, the Austro-Hungarian ambassador at Mexico City, Count Kalman Kama Volkanya, made a trip to the United States on what he declared as a "secret mission."

A suggestion interpreted by some officials as an indication that Germany might have made approaches to Mexico at that time was made by Luis Cabrera in an address at Philadelphia on November 10.

"The foes of the United States will certainly assume to be friends of Mexico," said Mr. Cabrera, "and will try to take advantage of any sort of resentment Mexico may have against the United States. Mexico, neverthe less, understands that in case of a conflict between the United States and any other nation outside America, her attitude must be one of continental solidarity."

German Secret Service Trails

Department of Justice agents in their investigations of plots to violate American neutrality by setting on foot armed expeditions in Mexico more than once have uncovered what appeared to be trails of the German secret service.

A few days ago Fred Kaiser, suspected of being a German agent, was arrested at Nogales on charges brought under the neutrality statutes. Department of Justice agents declared he had attempted to obtain military information on the American side and had cultivated the society of American army officers with an apparent intention of promoting those efforts.

Last July, when W. H. Schweibz, who claimed to be a former German army officer, escaped into Nogales after an arrest on similar charges, the deputy marshal who tried to follow him was stopped by Mexican authorities.

The full extent of the evidence of Germany's plotting against the United States, gathered by the American secret service, may become known only according to the course of the future relations between the two countries. It is known that much evidence of the operations of the German embassy and persons who are responsible to it never has been permitted to come out, because officials perferred to guard against inflaming the public mind in the tense situation with Germany. The public amazement which a full exposition of the evidence in the hands of the government would cause cannot be overstimated.

Only today the Council of National Defense created by act of Congress, issued an appeal to all Americans to show every consideration for aliens in this country.

"We call upon all citizens," said the appeal, "if untoward events should come upon us, to present to these aliens, many of whom tomorrow will be Americans, an attitude of neither suspicion or aggressiveness. We urge upon all Americans to meet these millions of foreign-born with unchanged manner and with unprejudiced mind."

SENATOR MARTINE DELIVERS HIS VALEDICTORY ADDRESS

Washington, Feb. 28.—Legislative and international problems were laid aside today by the Senate to listen to a valedictory address by Senator Martine, of New Jersey, who retires March 4, after six years service. The senator paid his respects to political opponents and answered criticisms that he did not always vote with his party, by declaring that he had always voted his convictions.

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Washington, Feb. 28—Radical changes in methods of dealing with prisoners and those charged with lesser offenses in the navy, are recommended in a report submitted to Secretary Daniels today by Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing, who served as a voluntary prisoner in the naval prison and detention ship at Portsmouth. Details of the report were not made public.

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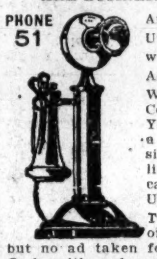

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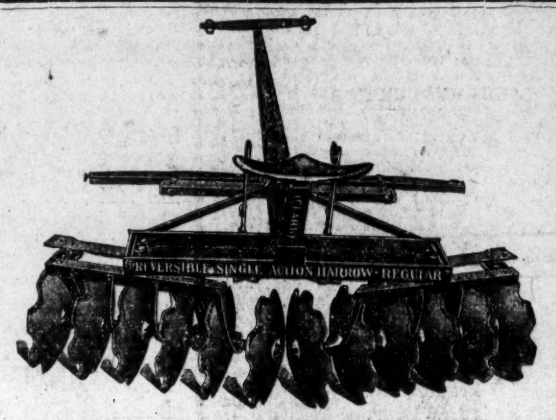

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(By DR. I. H. WATSON.)

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